

Week of October 31, 2011

WNYSLC News and Updates

There's still room to join the WNYSLC and Hilbert College at, "Reflection 101: The Meaning Behind the Service" on November 1st from 3:30 – 5:00pm in Bogel Hall Room 101. This panel presentation includes faculty successes with journaling and small group reflection as well as the community partner role in reflection. RSVP to Stephanie via [email](#) or by calling [716.566.7841](tel:716.566.7841)

The WNYSLC is now on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). Be sure to like and follow us to keep on top of all coalition news and service-learning related news on the local and national level!

Local News and Events

1. Vanishing of the Bees- Free Film Screening and Panel Discussion
2. Is your Website Selling for You?
3. Proposal Writing Workshop
4. Charitable Giving: Crafting a Gift of Significance
5. Canisius College Center for Professional Development 2011 – 2012 Open Enrollment

National Conferences and Workshops

1. Webinar: Standards for Excellence in Non Profit Management
2. Accelerating Social Entrepreneurship (ASE) conference series: Accelerating Social Entrepreneurship in the Age of Austerity
3. National Service-Learning Conference® and youthrive PeaceJam Leadership Conference
4. Webinar: Service-Learning in Online Courses

Calls for Proposals and Presentations

1. The International Center for Service-Learning in Teacher Education (ICSLTE)

New Resources

1. New Online: Community Works Journal
2. 2011 College Completion Data
3. How People Learn About Their Community

Grant Opportunities

1. MLK Day Grants
2. The Allen Foundation
3. Whole Kids Foundation
4. 2012 AmeriCorps Grants

Misc.

1. AmeriCorps Education Award Program (EAP)

Local News and Events

1. There will a free film screening and panel discussion for "Vanishing of the Bees" at Daemen College. Co-sponsored by New York Sustainable Agriculture Working Group, The Learning Sustainable Campaign and Daemen College, this event will take place **November 2** in Alumni Lounge of Wick Center.

2. The PCA Group presents, "Is your Website Selling for You?" on **November 8th** from 8:00 – 12:00 at Larkin at Exchange, 6th Floor Barton Room. This free workshop is designed to help leverage the power of your website using social media, improving your online presence and making your website a more valuable business tool. RSVP to Mary Owusu by [email](#) or call 716.632.5881x326.
3. The Center for Professional Development at Canisius College will present a [Proposal Writing Workshop](#) on **November 10th** from 8:30 – 1:00. This workshop will provide an introduction to the basic skills, principles and techniques of successful grant and proposal writing. Register [here](#).
4. The Agency Executive Association will be presenting a program on Charitable Giving: Crafting a Gift of Significance on **November 10th** fro 8:15 – 10:00 at the United Way. Please RSVP to [Gail Calisto](#).
5. The Center for Professional Development at Canisius College is pleased to announce that enrollment for the 2011-2012 [workshop series](#) is now open. All workshops run from 8:30 – 5:00 unless otherwise noted at the CPD offices at 300 Corporate Parkway, Amherst.

National Conferences and Workshops

1. The Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations has scheduled a six-part webinar series exploring the eight guiding principles and 55 standards in the [Standards for Excellence: An Ethics and Accountability Code for the Nonprofit Sector](#). This series will show participants how to apply and implement the Standards for Excellence principles and best practices in their organization's program operations, governance, human resources, financial management and fundraising. It is designed for executive directors, board members and nonprofit administrators. First webinar will take place on **November 9th**.
2. Join The Phoenix Project, a Learn and Serve America grantee located in the George Mason Center for Social Entrepreneurship, for the 4th installment of the acclaimed Accelerating Social Entrepreneurship (ASE) conference series: [Accelerating Social Entrepreneurship in the Age of Austerity](#), to be held on **November 10, 2011** on George Mason University's Arlington, Virginia campus. This year's theme tackles how governments, nonprofit and private organizations, educators, and students are applying innovative, sustainable, and scalable solutions to society's greatest challenges in an age of limited resources, but flush with opportunity. The first 25 people who [register](#) will be offered a special discounted rate. You will receive the early bird registration rate for the entire registration process and not charged for the full admission price. To receive the discount enter CNCS (all caps) when prompted for a "coupon code" at checkout.
3. 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. Join us **April 11-14, 2012** at the Minneapolis Convention Center. [Application Deadlines for Service-Learning Showcase: November 14, 2011. Registration Deadline: December 15, 2011.](#)
4. Webinar: [Service-Learning in Online Courses](#) will take place on **December 6th** from 1:00 – 2:00 (Central Time). This webinar will explore the challenges related to the

integration of service-learning and online education by using a decision tree model that asks key questions based on individual goals and experiences.

Call for Proposals and Papers

1. [The International Center for Service-Learning in Teacher Education \(ICSLTE\)](#) is seeking proposals for their international conference "Conversations that Matter III: Research, Practice and Policy." The conference will be held **June 21-23, 2012** at **Duke University. Proposal Deadline: January 6, 2012 (extended)**

New Resources

1. [Community Works Journal](#) digital magazine is now available on line, available to educators at no cost. Across the U.S. and around the world, the ideals of service-learning, education for sustainability, and place based education resonate through the articles and essays featured in Community Works Journal.
2. Complete College America has released the [2011 College Completion Data](#) results. This interactive map, for the first time ever, profiles how well each state is educating all of today's college students.
3. [How People Learn About Their Community](#) is a new report by the Pew Project for Excellence in Journalism, presents survey findings about local news and information sources American's rely on, such as television, newspapers, the Internet, and word of mouth – for sixteen topics by age, gender, education, income, family structure and other factors.

Grant Opportunities

1. Points of Light [MLK Day Grants](#) are currently being accepted for the January 2012 MLK Day. Two \$30,000 leadership grants and four \$15,000 signature grants are available. **Application Deadline: November 7th.**
2. [The Allen Foundation](#) supports nonprofit organizations and higher education institutions worldwide that promote human nutrition in the areas of health, education, training, and research. The Foundation's grant-making priorities include the following: nutritional education for mothers during pregnancy and after the birth of their children, training for educators and demonstrators of good nutritional practices, and the dissemination of healthful nutritional information. Relevant nutritional research projects are also supported. Preference may be given to proposals that include matching funds from the applicant or other partners, including in-kind contributions. **Application Deadline: December 31.**
3. The mission of the [Whole Kids Foundation](#) is to improve children's nutrition and wellness with the goal of ending the childhood obesity epidemic. The Foundation's School Garden Grants are provided to K-12 schools and nonprofit organizations in the U.S., Canada, and the United Kingdom that are developing or currently maintaining a school garden project that will help children engage with fresh fruits and vegetables. Grants of \$2,000 are provided for garden

projects at any stage of development - planning, construction, or operation. **Application Deadline: December 31.**

4. AmeriCorps awards grants to organizations to implement programs that utilize AmeriCorps members to engage in evidence-based interventions to strengthen communities. The [2012 AmeriCorps Grant](#) competition will focus on the areas of Education, Disaster Services, and Veteran and Military Family Support. **Application Deadline: January 18th.**

Misc.

1. Through a grant from the Corporation for National and Community Service and the New York State Commission on National and Community Service, NYCC has received additional [AmeriCorps Education Award Program \(EAP\)](#) funding for the 2011-2012 program year. EAP fosters civic engagement among higher education students, promotes the National Service movement, and encourages positive relationships between campuses and communities. The program meets critical community needs by engaging college students in service as part-time AmeriCorps members, and fostering within them an ethic of civic responsibility. Upon successful completion of 300 hours of service in a calendar year, students are eligible to receive a \$1,175 Education Award to be applied toward outstanding federal student loans or the cost of attendance at a college or university. **Proposals by: November 18, 5pm.**

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