Key Center Weekly  
Community Engagement  
November 14 - November 21  
"we were born right now for a reason  
the reason is up to you"  
-climbing poeTree  

Community Partnership Feature: BeLoved House

The Be Loved House is a local, grassroots non-profit organization that seeks to create a supportive network around children and their families, women, senior citizens, people who are homeless, people with disabilities, and neighbors in Asheville. The Be Loved house offers a multitude of programs, including day shelter for folks on the street, transitional housing program for homeless folks who are ill or disabled, one on one advocacy, support groups, women's empowerment program, elder initiative, street outreach and youth alternatives. Community Members from the BeLoved House will be at the UNCA campus on Wednesday the 14th as part of a panel discussion. For more information on the BeLoved House or to donate items visit their site.

Like this organization? Want to find out more about other community organizations you can work with? Check out the Key Center’s site, here.

Service Learning:

1) Public Service Project:

The final Public Service Project Workshop will take place on:

**Wed. 11/14 4-5 p.m.**

The workshop will be hosted in **235 Highsmith SAIL Boardroom**

Please e-mail the Key Center to indicate your attendance at keyctr@unca.edu.

2) Community Engaged Scholars:

Community Engaged Scholar Workshops will take place on

**Thursday, January 17th 12:30 pm - 1:30pm**
Wednesday, **January 23rd 4 pm - 5 pm**  
Thursday, **January 29th 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm**  
Wednesday, **February 6th 4 pm - 5 pm**

**Important Dates:**

- Application form for Public Service Project: Submitted with signatures to Key Center by **Friday, February 8th**.
- Application Deadline for Poster Presentation to Symposium: **March 18, 2013**.
- Presenters are required to provide a title and abstract sent in electronic form to **tomlemaste@unca.edu**.
- Paper due: **Monday, April 8th**. The paper will be reviewed and then comments returned to you. Revisions are likely. Papers should be submitted to **keyctr@unca.edu**.
- Revised Paper Due: **Monday, April 22nd**. Submit to **keyctr@unca.edu**.
- Approval of UNCA Public Service Project Form with signatures due to Key Center by **Monday, April 22nd**.
- Spring Symposium for Poster Presentation: **April 24th**

**Service:**

**Short Term Opportunities**

1) **The ARC of Buncombe County**

The ARC is a nonprofit organization that works with children and adults with disabilities.

They seeking volunteers for Family Fun Day that will take place on **December 8th** from **11 am to 3 pm**. Volunteers will be helping to facilitate the craft booth for kids and adults.

2) **Hurricane Sandy Relief Efforts**

The HandsOn Volunteer Action Centers and partners have been working to coordinate volunteer response to Hurricane Sandy.

If you are interested in helping with relief efforts, contact a HandsOn affiliate or a Red Cross affiliate.

These are a few of the HandsOn networks in the northeast:

**NEW YORK**

- **New York Cares**, New York City  
- **Long Island Volunteer Center**, Long Island, NY
Volunteer Center Serving Westchester and Mid-Hudson Valley

New Jersey
Jersey Cares, Newark, NJ
Pass It Along, Sussex County, NJ
Volunteer Center of Bergen County, Hackensack, NJ
Volunteer Center of Philadelphia and South New Jersey

3) Vance Craft Explosion

Vance Elementary school is seeking volunteers to help with their Craft Explosion/Garden Workday.

Both events take place on Sunday **11-18** and run from **12 pm to 5 pm**. The Craft Explosion needs help with set-up and take down. The Garden Workday needs helping hands willing to get dirty in the cold.

Long Term Opportunities

1) Emma Elementary

Emma Elementary is seeking volunteers for continual classroom help.

If you would like to build a relationship with a classroom, helping with small group reading or tutoring then this is the opportunity for you.

For more information contact the volunteer coordinator, Kate Page at **828-232-4274**

2) Open Hearts Art Center

Open Hearts Art Center is an organization that is based on a holistic approach to habilitative care combined with the use of multiple forms of expression for adults with disabilities.

Open Hearts emphasizes the visual and expressive arts as a method for self-growth. Open Hearts has service opportunities for artists, musicians, performance artists, dramatic artists, poets, clerical work, landscaping and gardening.

For more information go [here](#).

3) Progressive Education Program at TC Roberson

The Arc of Buncombe County is seeking volunteers to help with its Health and Wellness Program for PEP at TC Roberson.

The PEP program is designed for students with special needs and the Arc program focuses
on health and wellness as well as getting students involved with physical activity. The role of a volunteer would be to assist or teach a lesson and help facilitate the physical activity lessons.

For more information contact anmiller@unca.edu

4) Southern Alliance for Clean Energy

The SACE is an organization dedicated to advocating for energy policy and defending the environment by minimizing the impact of energy sectors impact on southern communities.

SACE is seeking volunteers to work in many capacities including volunteering with ‘green’ companies.

For more information go here.

5) Institute on Philanthropy and Voluntary Service

The Institute on Philanthropy and Voluntary Service is accepting applications for their summer internship program.

This is fast-paced eight week academic internship program that allows students from around the world to dive head first into the nonprofit sector while they live, learn, and intern in Washington, DC.

IPVS is the ideal program for students ready to learn the practical, philosophical, and ethical components of leadership in the nonprofit sector.

Applications are due December 5 to receive a 5% tuition discount.

For more information go here.

6) Global Health Corps

The mission of Global Health Corps is to mobilize a global community of emerging leaders to build the movement for health equity. They offer year-long fellowships with established non-profit or government agencies in Malawi, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Zambia, and the United States. Applicants apply for specific jobs that match their interests and skills, from project management positions to monitoring and evaluation, engineering, communications, and beyond.

Global Health Corps is an amazing opportunity to get a year of field experience with an established non-profit or government agency. Fellows are provided housing, medical insurance, a living stipend, and transportation to and from the host country.

The 2013-2014 application deadline is due December 3rd to February 3rd, 2013. Click here for the application
For more information on the organization click here for flier and here for the website

Community Citizenship

1) Cherokee Language Demonstration

Tom Belt and Hartwell Francis, director of the Cherokee language program at Western Carolina University will discuss the history of syllabary and demonstrate its use.

6 pm Thursday, Nov. 15 at UNC Asheville's Highsmith University Union, Intercultural Center.

2) Night of the Living Dead with Silver Machine Soundtrack

On Thursday November 15th at 9:30pm, the Fine Arts Theater will have a special screening of Romero’s 1968 classic Night of the Living Dead with a soundtrack composed and performed by the Asheville Space Rock band Silver Machine.

3) The Importance of Being Earnest

Don’t miss the last showings of the Importance of Being Earnest on Friday, November 16th and Saturday, November 17th.

Tickets are $5 for students and show begins promptly at 7:30pm.

4) Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week

Don’t forget about ongoing events for HAHAW this week.

Tonight, Wednesday 14th, at 7 pm in the Grotto there will be a screening of the Pursuit of Happyness. There will be a panel discussion before the film featuring community members from the Be Loved House and the Asheville Buncombe Homeless Initiative.

Thursday, November 15th at 12:30 pm there will be a Swag Swap in the Grotto. Bring the requested items and receive University Swag in return.

Items requested:

- towels
- travel sized toiletries
- peanut butter & jelly
- socks
- camping supplies
- Ingles gift cards
- men’s clothing
- backpacks
- blankets
- children’s crafts

5) New Voyages Conference

The New Voyages Conference kicks off Thursday evening at 7:00 pm in the Reuter Center with a talk by former Director of the National Endowment for the Humanities, William Ferris.

The New Voyages Conference focuses on the cultural roots of North Carolina and the future scholarship of the Old North State.

All sessions are free to UNCA students, faculty, and staff. Please contact Daniel Pierce if you plan on attending so you can be added to the registration list and have a name tag made.

To see all of the Key Center’s service opportunities go here.

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