

SOURCE

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE STUDENT OUTREACH RESOURCE CENTER

SOURCE, Service, Speakers, and Shout-outs: 2007 National Volunteer Week and Tri-School Day of Service

As spring springs upon us, SOURCE is busy preparing for the annual slate of **National Volunteer Week** events, to take place **April 16-21, 2007**. National Volunteer Week is an occasion set aside to thank those who are ever-dedicated and involved in our communities, but is also an opportunity to renew our commitment to these causes, educate ourselves and others, and serve our community. SOURCE will promote these ideals through such avenues as guest speakers from the community, information tables in each of the schools, the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon & Awards, and the Spring Tri-School Day of Service. The preliminary schedule of events can be seen below, with more to be added as the planning process continues!



Photo: Students at last Fall's Tri-School Day of Service. This Spring's event is planned for Sat, April 21st, 2007.

National Volunteer Week Preliminary Schedule

- Mon, April 16: 12:45 pm-1:45 pm SOURCE in the SOM PCTB Lobby
- Tues, April 17: 12 pm-1 pm SOURCE in the SON Lobby
- Wed, April 18: 12:15 pm-1:15 pm CBO Seminar:
Dr. Kyu Rhee, Baltimore Medical Systems
Community Health Centers:
Serving the Poor and Underserved for Over 40 Years
- Thurs, April 19: 12 pm-1 pm SOURCE in the JHSPH Courtyard
- Fri, April 20: 12 pm-2 pm Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon
(invite only)
- Sat, April 21: Tri-School Day of Service (see page 2)
- April 16-27: Toiletries Drive with JHU Women's Network
(Various Drop-off locations through the university)

Want to help plan events for National Volunteer Week?

The National Volunteer Week planning committee will meet every other Tuesday at 4 pm to put together other activities and guest speakers. To help, contact SOURCE at source@jhsp.edu or 410-955-3880.

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"It is impossible to win the race unless you venture to run, impossible to win the victory unless you dare to battle. "

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Richard M. DeVos

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SOURCE will round out National Volunteer Week activities with our **Spring Tri-School Day of Service on Saturday April 21st**, a day of several one-time service projects. Currently we are gathering these projects and will soon be recruiting volunteers. You may participate as an individual, with a group of friends, or student organizations may even co-sponsor this event. Projects will begin in the morning, last for 2-4 hours, and any training or information you need will be provided by the organization. Each project will be led by a faculty or staff volunteer, and transportation will be provided. Please watch for SOURCE announcements of service projects as they are confirmed, or contact SOURCE at (410) 955-3880 or source@jhsph.edu to learn more.

Student Group Spotlight: JHSPH Epidemiology Student Organization

The Epidemiology Student Organization (ESO) is in this issue's spotlight for integrating its mission (to promote the academic and professional development of epidemiology students at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health) with community service through a dedicated and innovative community partnership. ESO recently partnered with the Episcopal Refugee and Immigrant Center Alliance (ERICA), a church-based community resource center offering assistance to refugees, asylum seekers and immigrants in the greater Baltimore area. The goal was to find ways in which the expertise and enthusiasm of public health students might benefit the refugee and immigrant population that ERICA serves while, reciprocally, broadening perspectives and having the opportunity to apply and add to the students' skills and knowledge. Bringing together other interested individuals, community organizations and student groups, ESO and ERICA decided to co-sponsor two health education workshops (on Sat Feb. 24, 2007 and Sat March 24, 2007), covering important health related topics including nutrition, exercise, child health, diabetes, tuberculosis, and health care access in Baltimore, among others. In addition to developing the curriculum of the workshop, ESO organized transportation for workshop attendees, recruited translators in a number of languages, planned educational children's activities, provided food, and put together a comprehensive resource of health education materials. For more information on ESO and the ERICA workshops (volunteering open to all), please contact M. Kate Grabowski, the ESO Service Chair, at mgrabows@jhsph.edu. For more information on ERICA or to volunteer, contact Peter Kirchgraber at (410) 467-3750 or director.eric@gmail.com.

SOURCE Seeks Nominations for Service Awards

In conjunction with National Volunteer Week, SOURCE annually presents awards to one individual and one student group from each of the three schools: Medicine, Nursing, and Public Health. These awards are given for outstanding service and exemplary partnership with Community-Based Organizations and are presented at the Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon. Please consider nominating an individual or group today! Nomination Forms are available online at www.jhsph.edu/source or can be picked up in SOURCE, JHSPH, 615 N Wolfe St., E3003. Please return the forms to SOURCE or via e-mail at source@jhsph.edu by **April 10th, 2007**. Also, if you are a student who is involved in the community, please consider sharing and reflecting via SOURCE's **Feedback and Reflection** form: www.jhsph.edu/source/Students



CBO Spotlight - Parks & People

Visit the offices of Parks & People in the lower-level of the Stieff Silver Building in Baltimore, and one can quickly sense the energy, teamwork, and creativity which makes this organization's mission, and the way this SOURCE Community Partner approaches it, so unique. From the large murals throughout the offices painted by children attending their SuperKids Camp to the buzz of the staff chatting about their commitment to the Gwynns Falls Trail, Parks & People is committed to "improving the quality of life for all people in the Baltimore area through educational and recreational programs that motivate young people and through partnerships that create and sustain green spaces within our city". They do so through several greening programs, which restore lots and gardens, create and maintain green spaces, and promote knowledge about sustaining the environment. They also provide youth programs, such as summer camps, educational presentations, and sports leagues, which aim to motivate youth to become involved in community-based efforts. For more information on Parks & People, or to learn how to become involved with this organization, visit www.parksandpeople.org or contact Erin Shutt, Volunteer Coordinator, at (410) 448-5663 ext. 126 or erin.shutt@parksandpeople.org. To find out more about other environmental groups visit:

www.jhsph.edu/source/VolunteerAgencies/Environment

"What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us. "

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*Ralph
Waldo
Emerson*

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Upcoming Involvement Opportunities:

American Red Cross Blood Drive - Tues, March 13th and Wed, March 14th - 7 am-7 pm
Please consider donating blood between 7am and 7pm in the Turner Concourse at the School of Medicine. All participants will receive the American Red Cross long sleeve green t-shirt, and a JHMI Blood Drive folding six-pack container. Please contact Kathie Rumbley (krumbley@jhsph.edu) or 410-955-1197 if you would like to make an appointment.

Book Drive to Support Baltimore Reads' "Books for Kids Day" - March 19th—March 30th.
SOURCE will be collecting *CHILDREN'S BOOKS* (new and in good condition only) to support Baltimore Reads. Books can be dropped off in SOURCE (JHSPH, Wolfe St. Building, E3003), the JHSPH Student Lounge, JHSPH Student Affairs (E1002), or the SOM PCTB Lounge. SON drop-offs TBA.

JHU Women's Network Toiletry Drive - April 16th— April 27th
SOURCE will host drop boxes for the annual JHU Women's Network Toiletry Drive. Stay tuned to learn more about who the drive will support (yet to be determined) and for drop box locations across campus (including SOURCE).

Moveable Feast's Dining Out For Life - Thurs, April 26th
Eat out at one of the participating restaurants on April 26th and at least 20 percent of the proceeds will go to Moveable Feast, a SOURCE community partner, and help feed hundreds of men, women, and children living in Baltimore with HIV/AIDS, and other life-challenging conditions such as breast cancer. For more information, including participating restaurants, visit www.mfeast.org or call (410) 327-3420.

Don't forget the SOURCE Weekly Service Scoop! Subscribers receive announcements **every Tuesday** from SOURCE regarding the latest requests from the community (including positions, fellowships, RFPs, etc.). To subscribe, email source@jhsph.edu.