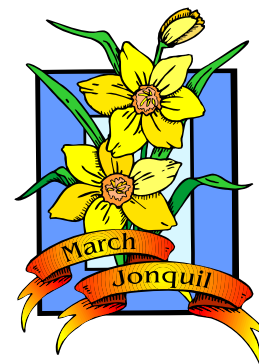


March 26th Announcements



April 9th Facilitator: Shelly Ross **April 9th Refreshments: Johanna, Mark**

General Announcements:

- ❖ **THIS Saturday, March 29th** is the Kaboom Play Ground Build Day in honor of Cesar Chavez Day. We start at 8 am and serve until we finish (4 pm at the latest) and will work rain or shine. This is a required event for all Straight Up AmeriCorps Members.
- ☑ The **April 9th** Member led Stress reduction Meeting will be held at the **Manila Community Center** from 8:30-11:30 am. If you would like to lead a workshop or suggest an idea please sign-up on the clipboard or talk to Derek.
- ❖ **PAPERWORK DUE!** Activity Reports, Volunteer Record, Capacity Building Logs, IDP monthly goal worksheet, & Success Stories due March 31st. Be sure to check the SMILEY CHART before you leave to find out if you have any paperwork missing.
- ❖ Please Review the Member Hours Table to see how you are doing with your hours. If you have questions see Evie.
- ❖ Returning member applications can still be submitted! Applications can be filled out and submitted online at www.rcaa.org/straightup. Click on printable forms in the Members section.
- ❖ The Straight Up AmeriCorps office will continue to remain open till 7:00 pm on Mondays. Derek staffs office hours on Mondays.

Training Opportunities

- ❖ **TONIGHT! March 26th 6-8 pm, CHILD & ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT:** Paula Nedelcoff, MFT, will help participants identify ways in which to empower a child or youth as they progress through each stage of human development and growth. Training will be held **TONIGHT** at the Humboldt County Office of Education, 901 Myrtle Ave., Eureka, in the Madrone Room from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Service Opportunities:

- ❖ **North Coast Stand Down 2008:** The mission of the North Coast Stand Down is to provide homeless Veterans and their families direct access to service providers and educational information on state, federal, and local community services. The purpose of a Stand Down is to reach out to local veterans and their families. The term Stand Down is used when combat troops are pulled out of action and sent to an area of relative safety to get medical attention, clothing, and other supplies. In serving all Veterans, NCSO labors to inspire Veteran camaraderie and overall community cohesion, strengthening our community and its understanding of homeless and Veterans issues alike.

WHAT: NCSO needs people to help with many tasks before, during and after the event. Information on "Peacekeeping" volunteer roles is currently available on the website. There will be many more possibilities defined closer to the event. To volunteer, please contact NCSO by email at volunteers@northcoaststanddown.org , or download a volunteer form from the website at northcoaststanddown.org

WHEN: Friday, Saturday & Sunday, June 27, 28 & 29, 2008. The event begins at 8 a.m. on Friday and ends at 12 p.m. on Sunday.

WHERE: Humboldt County Fairgrounds, Ferndale

WHO: Contact NCSO by email at volunteers@northcoaststanddown.org, or download a volunteer form from their website at northcoaststanddown.org

Other Announcements:

- ❖ The Volunteer Coordinators are looking for one time, sustained service volunteers or people interested in helping out with National Service Day. If you know of someone that would like to volunteer, encourage them to call 269-2026 or email: straightupvolunteers@rcaa.org

Interesting Tidbits: April is National Poetry Month, & National Sexual Assault Awareness Month in the US.