

It's Going On! What's Going On?
Champaign-Urbana Area Events/Meetings
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****Deadline to submit events for April 23? Wednesday, April 18, 2012.****

****Deadline to submit events for May 7? Wednesday, May 2, 2012****

Monday, April 9

EXTENDED DEADLINE to submit an application for the **Champaign Unit 4 School Board Member Vacancy**. Applications are available on the District website, www.champaignschools.org, or at the Mellon Administrative Center, 703 South New in Champaign. Questions about the application process should be directed to Board member Tom Lockman atlockmath@champaignschools.org.

ALL WEEK through Friday, April 13 - 6th Grade Registration for Stratton & Washington 5th Grade students at Family Information Center (1103 N. Neil St., Ch.).

12noon - North First Street Association Meeting at Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance, 302 N. First Street, Ch.

5:30pm – 7:30pm – FREE VOLUNTEER INFCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) at Salem Baptist Church on Monday, Friday, and Saturday until April 21.

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 10

8:30am – 1:30pm – IT/Telecom Symposium hosted by the Illinois Department of Central Management Services (CMS) at the Center for Performing Arts at Governors State University (1 University Parkway, University Park, IL). This symposium will educate and engage the IT/Telecom vendor community on the services CMS provides for Illinois. Register on-line at www.Illinois.gov/CMS/Symposium.*

6:00pm – 7:00pm - Illinois Leadership Center Alumni Workshop - **The Hardest Choice: Deciding to Decide** in Room 210 of the Illini Union (1401 W. Green St., U). Pam Hove will be speaking from her experiences as a change consultant on how to apply strategic planning principles to personal life decisions. Pam will offer an interactive workshop that will allow participants to work through their own personal change decisions during the session. Appropriate for any students, this presentation would be particularly relevant to anyone who is looking for help deciding on major decisions, or identifying the first (or next) step to take towards a personal goal. For more information: <http://illinois.edu/calendar/detail/3707/17054289>

6:30pm – 8:30pm –Open House and opportunity for families of Champaign Unit 4 fifth graders to visit Jefferson Middle School, 1115 S. Crescent, Ch.

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Wednesday, April 11

1:00pm – 2:00pm - Informal Dessert Meet & Greet with Yolo Akili at the Bruce D. Nesbitt African American Cultural Center, 708 S. Mathews St., Urbana. Akili will be speaking tonight at 7:00pm at the Illini Union Room A.

5:30pm – Urbana Human Relations Meeting

Wednesday, April 11 (cont'd)

6:00pm – 8:00pm – Learning to care for your family's collections workshop at the Champaign Public Library, Robeson Pavilion Rooms A&B. This workshop will go over the basics of collections storage, and what do to if your family heirlooms are affected by a water emergency. Also includes a discussion of how scanning family documents can help the originals survive longer, while allowing you to share your memories with family, friends, and the community. **FREE** and sponsored by the Preservation Working Group and the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.*

6:30pm – 8:30pm – Open House and opportunity for families of Champaign Unit 4 fifth graders to visit Franklin Middle School, 817 N. Harris, Ch.

7:00pm – 8:00pm - The Burden of Black Masculinity: Evaluating the Cost, Envisioning the Possibilities, presented by Yolo Akili at the Illini Union in Room A, 1401 W. Green St., Urbana.

9:00pm – Grown Folks Wednesdays at the American Legion Post 559.*

Thursday, April 12

6:00pm – 9:00pm - Evelyn B. Underwood for Circuit Clerk THANK YOU RECEPTION at the Urbana Civic Center (108 Water St., U.). Everyone is invited, especially if you helped in any way. Come to be “**THANKED**” by **Dr. Underwood** and her “**DREAM TEAM.**” Light refreshments will be served.*

6:30pm – 8:30pm - Open House and opportunity for families of Champaign Unit 4 fifth graders to visit Edison Middle School, 306 W. Green St., Ch.

7:00pm – Pastor Jimmie Holmes' Pre-Anniversary Service at Morningstar Freewill Baptist Church.

7:30pm – 9:00pm – “The Invisible War” – documentary about one of our country's most shameful and best kept secrets: the epidemic of rape within our U.S. Military at Allen Hall's Main Lounge (1005 W. Gregory Drive, Urbana). This film screening is in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Discussion after the film. **FREE and open to the public.***

Friday, April 13

DEADLINE – for individuals and/or organizations to submit events for the News-Gazette Annual Summer Fun Guide (for events between May 13 and September 30) Go to www.news-gazette.com and submit them to the online calendar or email them to features@news-gazette.co and put “summer fun” in the subject field.

DEADLINE to register for the **Alzheimer's Disease Challenges & Choices” Conference** hosted by the Illiana Alzheimer's Fund of the Provena United Samaritans Medical Center Foundation at the Beef House Banquet Center in Covington, IN on Wednesday, April 25. Cost: \$20 for caregivers, certified nursing assistants, the public and students with student identification and \$80.00 for professionals; includes lunch. For more information or to register, call 217-442-6583.*

Friday, April 13 (cont'd)

DEADLINE to register at: <https://illinois.edu/fb/sec/8897628> for the University of Illinois' Office of Equal Opportunity & Access' **6th Annual Inclusive Illinois Women's Leadership Program** in Illini Rooms A, B & C of the Illini Union on Thursday, April 19 which includes roundtable discussions (10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.); a complimentary lunch (11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.); a panel of campus and community women leaders (12pm to 1:30pm); and a networking segment (1:30pm to 2:00pm).

12noon – University of Illinois YMCA's Friday Forum - **Debts and Deficits: Combating Recession in the U.S., Latin America, and Eurozone** w/Mark Weisbrot, Co-Director, Center for Economic and Policy Research.*

5:30pm – 7:30pm – FREE VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) at Salem Baptist Church on Monday, Friday and Saturday until April 21.

7:00pm - Exhibit Opening Celebration: ¡CARNAVAL! An evening of gallery explorations, refreshments, and a performance by the steel pan group I-Pan in celebration of our temporary exhibit ¡CARNAVAL! at the Spurlock Museum, 600 S. Gregory St., Urbana. **FREE.** For further information, contact Kim Sheahan at (217) 244 - 3355 or on email at ksheahan@illinois.edu.

9:00pm – 1:00am – R & B and Soul Night at JonEB's Bar & Grill (123 S. Mattis Ave., Suites 15-16, Ch./Country Fair Complex). "The Generic DJ" – Bobby Pearson. For more information, call 217-359-2177. **NO COVER CHARGE.***

Saturday, April 14

8:30am – The Greater Community AIDS Project (GCAP) Walk, Run, Roll at Burwash Park Pavilion (350 Burwash Ave., Savoy). It is a 1-mile walk, 5-K run or 10- or 25-mile bike ride open to children, teens and adults. Registration fee is \$20.00 for adults, \$10 for children/kids/teens age 6-18 and no charge for children under 6. For more information and registration forms, go to www.gcapnow.com.*

10:30am – 2:30pm – 2012 (Third Annual) Future Women in Business Leadership Conference sponsored by the University of Illinois College of Business at the Business Instructional Facility (515 E. Gregory Drive, Ch.). For questions or to register, email to admissions@business.illinois.edu.*

1:00pm – 5:00pm – FREE VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) at Salem Baptist Church on Monday, Friday, and Saturday until April 21.

6:00pm - Gamma Upsilon Psi Society's 40th Annual Cotillion Ball at the I-Hotel.TBA – **Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation's Annual Gala** to honor several public school alumni at the Illinois Terminal Building's Cityview Banquet Center: For tickets or more information, call 217-398-2873 or go to CUSchoolsFoundation.org and click on "2012 Gala Event."

6:15pm - The East Central Illinois Refugee Mutual Assistance Center's (ECIRMAC, or the Refugee Center) Annual Fundraising Dinner at St. Patrick's Catholic Church (708 W. Main St., Urbana) which will feature international cuisine (with vegetarian options available), a silent auction, and performances by world renowned percussionist, Bolokada Conde, as well as the Urbana High School Jazz Band. Dinners include up to two complimentary glasses of wine for adult attendees. For more info or to purchase tickets, contact April Diaz at adiaz25@illinois.edu. Dinner at 6:45pm. Tickets: **\$60.00.**

Saturday, April 14 (cont'd)

7:00pm - Second Saturday Men Choirs' Fellowship at Jericho Missionary Baptist Church (1601 W. Bloomington Rd, Ch.).

9:00pm – JazzStep Entertainment presents **30 & Over Jazz Saturdays** in the new addition of the Arrowhead Bowling Lanes (1401 N. McKinley, Ch.). Grown Folks Affair (for those 30 and older). DJ Master Blaster playing R & B, Old School, Jazz and Steppin' Music. **Cost: \$5.00.***

Sunday, April 15

TBA – Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church's 87th Church Anniversary

11:00am – 1:00pm - Acupuncture at Urbana Acupuncture 155-A Lincoln Square Mall, Urbana. Appointments recommended. Call (217)344-9118. **FREE**

12noon – 5:00pm – TRiO Talent Search Day at the Douglass Community Center, 512 E. Grove St., Ch. Complete registration by email

triotalentsearch.uiuc@gmail.com or by calling [217-333-0054](tel:217-333-0054). Applications are in schools, select community agencies, select churches, or call 217-333-0054 to have the application mailed to you or download the application from the following website:

<http://www.omsa.illinois.edu/collegeprep/illinoiscollegeprep.html>. If you have not completed an application before the event, bring the following with you and they will help you apply at the event: 1) latest report card (middle school students) or latest high school transcript and 2) signed copy of most recent U.S. federal income tax form **or** other proof of income **or** proof of free and reduced lunch **or** completed financial aid application. For more information, contact Alexis Gwin, John Williams, or Curtis Blanden by phone at: [217-333-0054](tel:217-333-0054) or fax: [217-244-3949](tel:217-244-3949).*

3:30pm – Pastor Jimmie Holmes' 30th Anniversary at Morningstar Freewill Baptist Church. Guests: Pastor Claude E. Shelby and Salem Baptist Church

Monday, April 16

LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR CHRISTIE CLINIC'S ILLINOIS MARATHON

5:30pm – 7:30pm – FREE VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) at Salem Baptist Church on Monday, Friday, and Saturday until April 21.

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 17

6:00pm - Parent Cafe - Love Is Not Enough to Keep Your Family Strong - at the Don Moyer Boys & Girls Club (201 E. Park St., Ch.). For more information or to **RSVP** to Melissa Neely, call 217-721-7514. To learn more about keeping your family strong, visit: www.keepyourfamilystrong.org.*

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 18

5:00pm – 7:00pm – American Legion Post 24 Auxiliary Unit is having an “**All You Can Eat Homemade Chicken and Noodle Dinner**” w/ mashed potatoes, green beans, bread and butter, and desserts. **Cost: \$7.00 for adults/\$3.00 for youth under 10 years old.**

Wednesday, April 18 (cont'd)

9:00pm – Grown Folks Wednesdays at the American Legion Post 559.*

Thursday, April 19

10:00am – 2:00pm - The Office of Equal Opportunity & Access at the University of Illinois is hosting the **6th Annual Inclusive Illinois Women's Leadership Program**, in Illini Rooms A, B & C of the Illini Union. Roundtable discussions (10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.); a complimentary lunch (11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.); a panel of campus and community women leaders (12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.); and a networking segment (1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.). This is a free campus event, and is open to women faculty, staff, and students at Illinois. Register by April 13 at: <https://illinois.edu/fb/sec/8897628>.

5:00pm – 7:30pm – Wesley Evening Food Pantry Distribution at 1203 W. Green St., Urbana. Email info@wesleypantry.org for information or volunteer opportunities.

6:30pm – 8:30pm – Dave Ramsey's **Financial Peace University** – a 13-week biblically based program that teaches you to eliminate debt and leave a lasting legacy at the Glory Center (606 Country Fair Dr., Champaign). **Registration: \$50.00.** Register on line at www.glorycenter.org/ramsey.html. For more information, call the Admin. Office at 217-255-5008 or visit www.daveramsey.com.

7:00pm – Champaign County Board Meeting

Friday, April 20

DEADLINE to nominate a Young Woman (aged 21-45) for the annual **Young Church Woman United Award** sponsored by Church Woman United. The actual meeting where the young woman will be recognized is on Friday, May 4 at 6 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church (304 S. Race St., U.).*

“Think Like a Man” movie begins today - check local movie listings for the times and theatres so that you can see it this weekend. Some proceeds from the movie box office dollars will be donated to the Steve and Margie Harvey Foundation.

1:00pm - On behalf of PCA Diversity, Ally Team, Parkland Pride and Workforce Development, you are invited to the repeat showing of **The Bayard Rustin film** in Room D244 at Parkland College. The film lasts 83 minutes, followed by a discussion led by Marietta Turner, Dean of Students and Minor Jackson, Executive Director of Workforce Development. To reserve seats, contact Cathy Robinson at 217-353-2082 or by email at crobinson@parkland.edu or call 353-2082. Since its premiere at the Sundance Film Festival and its national broadcasts on PBS' P.O.V. series and on Logo/MTV, Brother Outsider has introduced millions of viewers around the world to the life and work of Bayard Rustin—a visionary strategist and activist who has been called “the unknown hero” of the civil rights movement. A disciple of Gandhi, a mentor to Martin Luther King Jr., and the architect of the 963 March on Washington, Rustin dared to live as an openly gay man during the fiercely homophobic 1940s, 1950s and 1960s. http://rustin.org/?page_id=2. **FREE**

4:00pm – 8:00pm – **Spring Book Sale – Pages for Pennies** at the Independent Media Center (202 S. Broadway, Urbana). 75 cents for soft covers & \$1.00 for hardbacks. For more information go to www.books2prisoners.org or contact Jay Schubert at 217-417-6837 or jay.schubert@gmail.com. Support this organization and get some great deals.*

Friday, April 20 (cont'd)

5:30pm – 7:30pm – FREE VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA) at Salem Baptist Church on Monday, Friday, Saturday until April 21.

6:00pm – University YMCA's 11th Annual Auction and Dinner at the I-Hotel and Conference Center. Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres at 6:00pm/Silent Auction at 7:00pm/ and Dinner at 8:00pm; Silent Auction ends and Live Auction begins. Enjoy live music during the silent auction/cocktail hour, hear from current and former Y student leaders on their work, and raise funds for the many live and silent auction items up for grabs. RSVP by Wednesday, April 11 at

<http://www.universityymca.org/auction/rsvp/>. Contact Becca Guyette with any questions or to donate items/dinner certificates, etc. for the Auction!

6:00pm – 10:00pm – Bid Whiz Tournament at Douglass Annex for those aged 50 and older. Cost \$10 per team. Call 217-398-2572 for more information.

7:00pm – 10:00pm – “Sankofa” Poetry/Spoken Word Slam at the Independent Media Center (202 S. Broadway, Urbana). Cost of entry to contest (**\$10**) and event entry cost (**\$5**). For more info, contact Aaron Ammons at 217 721-0934 or 217 707-7063 or by email at livingsoul@sbcglobal.net.

9:00pm – Illinois Public Media's Community Cinema Series Film “Revenge of the Electric Car” on WILL-TV/Radio (channel 12/channel 13 on Comcast).*

Saturday, April 21

DEADLINE to donate bottles of lotions to give to women at the Dwight Correctional Facility for Mothers' Day. For more information, call Evangelist Eloris Nash of For Life Ministries (ALIC) at 217-390-2813. Donated lotions may be dropped off Monday – Friday from 9:00am – 5 pm at the Independent Media Center (200 S. Broadway, U.)*

8:00am – 10:00am – Listen LIVE to Higher Ground on WEFT/90.1FM Radio or on-line at **WEFT.org**, hosted by Aaron & Carol Ammons. Listen in and/or call in to 217-359-5483 or 217-359-6545 for comments and/or questions.

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9:00am – 3:00pm – Community Resource Day at Garden Hills Elementary School. School Physicals from (9:00am – 11:00am for Garden Hills area children and 11:00am – 3:00pm for all other Champaign schoolchildren). There will also be immunizations and some health screenings for adults, information about city services and non-profit agencies, identification kits including fingerprinting for children and a presentation from the police department on bullying. You will also have an opportunity to complete a survey on what your needs are. To volunteer (including medical and non-medical volunteers), send an email to Sheri Williamson at swlmsn79@gmail.com.

10:00am – 12noon – St. Luke C.M.E. Church Food Pantry – 809 N. Fifth St., Ch.

Saturday, April 21 (cont'd)

1:00pm – 5:00pm – FREE VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE (VITA)
at Salem Baptist Church . **LAST DAY**

4:00pm – Aaron & Carol Ammons renewing their wedding vows at Salem Baptist Church. **All Community Event** – African celebration (attire, food, etc.). Reception immediately following at the Independent Media Center (200 S. Broadway, Urbana).

7:30pm – University of Illinois Black Chorus' Annual Mom's Day Concert – "Jubilation – A Shout-Out for Mom" & Celebrating the 30th Anniversary Year with Dr. Ollie Watts Davis as Music Director and Conductor. Tickets: \$11.00/Senior Citizens: \$10.00//Students: \$8.00. In the Foellinger Great Hall of the Krannert Center for Performing Arts.*

9:00pm – JazzStep Entertainment presents 30 & Over Jazz Saturdays in the new addition of the Arrowhead Bowling Lanes (1401 N. McKinley, Ch.). Grown Folks Affair (for those 30 and older). DJ Master Blaster playing R & B, Old School, Jazz and Steppin' Music. **Cost: \$5.00.***

Sunday, April 22

10:00am – 2:00pm - Spring Book Sale – Pages for Pennies at the Independent Media Center (202 S. Broadway, Urbana). 75 cents for soft covers & \$1.00 for hardbacks. **Bag Sale – Fill a bag for \$5.00.** For more information go to www.books2prisoners.org or contact Jay Schubert at 217-417-6837 or jay.schubert@gmail.com. Support this organization and get some great deals.*

Monday, April 23

12noon – Dish It Up On Us Program "Last Lecture" at the Women's Resource Center (703 S. Wright St., Champaign – above Freestar Bank). Speaker :Janet Carter-Black from the U of I School of Social Work. Contact Rachel Storm at 217-333-3137 or by email at rstorm2@illinois.edu. Dish It Up and the Lunch on Us Programs from OIIR offer a unique opportunity to engage with your peers in a fruitful discussion of identity, social phenomena, and justice on campus while enjoying a complimentary meal. Each Dish It Up program offers vegan and vegetarian food options. **FREE**

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Special Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 24

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Wednesday, April 25

8:00am – 4:00pm – Alzheimer's Disease Challenges & Choices" Conference hosted by the Illiana Alzheimer's Fund of the Provena United Samaritans Medical Center Foundation at the Beef House Banquet Center in Covington, In. Registration begins at 7:30am (CST) and includes lunch. Cost: \$20 for caregivers, certified nursing assistants, the public and students with student identification. The cost is \$80.00 for professionals. For more information or to register, call 217-442-6583 or go to the Provena United Samaritans Medical Center Foundation at 801 W. Fairchild St. in Danville. **Registration deadline is April 13.***

Wednesday, April 25 (cont'd)

6:00pm – 7:00pm - Gal UP support group for women over the age of 25 at the UP (Independent Media Center), and have several social activities in between meetings. The group offers a casual, open atmosphere for a free-flowing conversation with the opportunity to view movies, discuss books and poetry, and participate in other creative activities. Contact one of the co-facilitators with any questions: Evelyne Tardy at Evelyne@unitingpride.org, or Jennifer Fowler at vylica.8@gmail.com.
9:00pm – Grown Folks Wednesdays at the American Legion Post 559.*

Thursday, April 26

5:30pm – Parental Involvement Discussion “Things You Can Do At Home To Help Your Child” at Booker T. Washington STEM Academy (606 E. Grove St., Ch.) led by Dr. Christopher Span (U of I Education Professor), sponsored by Title 1. Food will be provided & childcare available. R.S.V.P. at 217-373-7310 or 217-649-6087.

6:00pm – 7:15pm – “Women Helping Women Win - In the Spirit of Enriching Women’s Lives and Supporting Women in Business” - an inspiring event that will introduce you to local women entrepreneurs and women-owned businesses which will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn (Kirby and Neil St., Ch.). **NO COST TO YOU.** Enjoy refreshments, fun and prizes. Each business will have room for a display and an opportunity to promote their business. Contact Event coordinator: Shanell Pharr-Williams (Mary Kay Independent Beauty Consultant) to sign up or for more information at shanellmk@sbcglobal.net or by phone at **309-648-4448**.*

6:30pm – 8:30pm - 20th Annual Artists Against AIDS Show & Sale’s Jazzy Opening Night Reception at The McKinley Fitness Center 500 W. Church Street, Champaign (formerly the YMCA). **Admission - \$50.00.** For information on the Opening Night reception or to purchase tickets, visit <http://www.artistsagainstaids.info/first-look-opening-reception/>*

Friday, April 27

CHRISTIE CLINIC’S ILLINOIS MARATHON

9:00am – 2:00pm – Helping and Hiring Hometown Heroes at the IL Department of Veterans Affairs located at the Illinois National Guard Armory (600 E. University Ave., Urbana) will feature over 30 federal, state and local companies offering employment opportunities. This event is sponsored by the IL Department of Veterans’ Affairs, University of Illinois, Parkland College and the Illinois Department of Employment Security. **GI Bill presentations at 10:00am & 1:00pm, healthcare screenings by the Danville VA Medical Center, assistance with resume writing, and counseling services provided by the Mobile Vet Center.** Bring your DD214/military discharge.*

6:00pm – 9:00pm - 20th Annual Artists Against AIDS Show & Sale at The McKinley Fitness Center 500 W. Church Street, Champaign (formerly the YMCA). Visit the special event website at <http://www.artistsagainstaids.info> for more information. **FREE***

Friday, April 27 (cont'd)

8:00pm – Chris Williams with Upscale Elite Entertainment – an Intimate Evening featuring the **Comedy of Mr. Damon Williams** and **Live Jazz with Mr. Kevin Turner** and additional **Musical Entertainment provided by DJ Stevenson** at City View Banquet & Meeting Center (on the 4th floor of 45 E. University Ave., Ch.) **Doors open at 7:00pm. Tickets are \$25.00 and must be purchased in advance** and can be purchased from Chris Williams (773-266-9317) or Carla Small Jones.*

Saturday, April 28

CHRISTIE CLINIC'S ILLINOIS MARATHON

8:30am – 3:00pm – Smart Girls Conference – “Sharing Myself, Training Myself, Expressing Myself” sponsored by the University of Illinois Womens Resources Center, U of I Office of Equal Opportunity and Access, Don Moyer Boys and Girls Club, and other co-sponsors at the Illini Union (1401 W. Green St., Urbana). For more information or to register call 217-333-3137 or by email at

rstorm2@illinois.edu. The SMART Girls Conference is an annual girls empowerment conference that invites Champaign county middle-school and high school-aged girls to partake in an interactive, multi-session summit aimed at targeting three developmental areas in teen girls: healthy relationships ("Sharing Myself"), self-esteem ("Expressing Myself"), and academic success ("Training Myself"). This day-long conference is organized to help create an opportunity for teen girls to come together, learn from one another, and grow. **FREE**

9:00am – 12noon – Church of the Living God presents **The Love Clinic** at the TLC Annex (310 E. Bradley. Cholesterol and diabetes screenings, health assessment survey, temporary prescription refills (bring medication bottles/no pain medication). Sponsored by Provena Covenant Hospital, Dr. Christina Medrano, Mrs. Wamaitha Sullivan, the Love Corner and Gibson City Memorial Hospital. Call 217-359-6920 for more information.

11:30am - CCNAACP ACT-SO 10th Year Celebration Awards Ceremony at the Holiday Inn I Urbana. Special Honorees – Dr. Preston Williams and Dr. Willie T Summerville for their supportive roles since the first ACT-SO event. **Tickets: \$35.00.** For more info or to purchase tickets contact Chris Hamb at chris.hamb@gmail.com.

12:30pm – Champaign County Anti-Stigma Alliance's **Art Exhibit and Sale** at Community Elements on Park Street, Ch.*

2:00pm – **“Reflections in the Mirror: Mothers and Daughters’ Relationships.”** A dramatization to be held at Parkland College Theater to benefit the Urbana Neighborhood Connections Center, Inc. (UNCC). Freewill donations accepted. For more information, contact: mknightjr1@aol.com or cwestle@uillinois.edu.*

2:00pm – 9:00pm - 20th Annual Artists Against AIDS Show & Sale at The McKinley Fitness Center 500 W. Church Street, Champaign (formerly the YMCA). Visit the special event website at <http://www.artistsagainstaids.info> for more information. **FREE***

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Sunday, April 29

1:00pm – 6:00pm - 20th Annual Artists Against AIDS Show & Sale at The McKinley Fitness Center 500 W. Church Street, Champaign (formerly the YMCA). Artists’ Reception from 3:00pm – 5:00pm. For more information, go the special event website at <http://www.artistsagainstaids.info>. **FREE***

3:30pm – 4:15pm – Mo’Betta Music’s FREE Concert at the Ebert Film Screening Virginia Theater Tent.*

4:00pm – Fellowship District 5th Sunday Fellowship Service – Fellowship District Youth will be in charge of the service at Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

4:30pm – FREE screening of “**Antwone Fisher**” sponsored by the Champaign County Anti-Stigma Alliance at the Virginia Theatre.*

6:00pm – 9:00pm –Red Carpet Event – Liberty Temple Ministries Women’s Department presents “An Evening of Elegance in Black” at the Urbana Civic Center (108 Water St., Urbana). Patronize local vendors who will be selling their best fragrances, hats, clothes, shoes, bags, jewelry, oils and more. Contact Barb Gillespie or Juan Chambers at bgillespie@sbcglobal.net or chambersjuan@yahoo.com (Adults: \$15.00/Youth 12 & under: \$10.00 which includes hors d’oeuvres & appetizers; Vendors - \$25.00), call 217-384-7413 or 217-721-3253 or call the church at 217-351-3546 for tickets and/or vendor applications.*

Monday, April 30

7:00pm – University of Illinois Afro 498 WS Campus-Community Class’ Annual End of Semester Concert at Salem Baptist Church (500 E. Park St., Champaign). Music and special project from the African American Sacred Music tradition performed by select community artists and class participants. **FREE***

Tuesday, May 1

6:00pm – “Strong” - Illinois Public Media’s (WILL/TV/Radio) Community Cinema Series film screening and discussion at the Champaign Public Library. “Cheryl Haworth is a young woman with a big dream: to be the strongest woman in the world. As the 300-pound U.S. Olympic weightlifter prepares for Beijing 2008, she struggles with injury, confidence, and her place in a world where larger women are not readily accepted.” **FREE.***

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting – Study Session

Thursday, May 3

7:15pm – Champaign County NAACP Meeting at the Champaign Public Library, Robeson Pavilion Room B.

Friday, May 4

6:00pm - Church Women United May Friendship Meeting at the First United Methodist Church (304 S. Race St. Urbana). **Theme: Listening to my Sister.**

Saturday, May 5

TBA – 19th District American Legion Auxiliary planting memorial gardens and pots around the Danville Veterans Administration. Rain date – Saturday, May 19.

8:00am – 10:00am – Listen LIVE to Higher Ground on WEFT/90.1FM Radio or on-line at **WEFT.org**, hosted by Aaron & Carol Ammons. Listen in and/or call in to 217-359-5483 or 217-359-6545 for comments and/or questions.

1:00pm – Mo'Betta Music Fundraiser at Salem Baptist Church

6:00pm – 9:00pm – Jericho Missionary Baptist Church Black & White Ball at Round Barn Banquet Centre. Pre-Anniversary Celebration honoring Pastor Lekevie Johnson and family. For tickets, contact the Church office at 217-355-3328.

Sunday, May 6 – Saturday, May 12

TBA - Children's Mental Health Awareness Week (CMHAW) 2012

Sunday, May 6

3:30pm – Mass Choir Spring Musical at Greater New Light Missionary Baptist Church (Rantoul). **“Sing Praises to God and to His Name” (Psalm 68:4)** If you are interested in singing an A & B selection, contact Choir President, Bonnie Kelly at 217-202-0384.*

Monday, May 7

5:30pm – Champaign Human Relations Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 8

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Wednesday, May 9 - Happy 18th Birthday Blake!

TBA - ACCESS Initiative/Community Elements' National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day.

5:30pm – Urbana Human Relations Meeting

Friday, May 11

7:00pm –New Foundation Missionary Baptist Church presents Comedy Fellowship 2 – at the Urbana Civic Center (108 Water St., U.). There will be good food, fun and laughter from a Chicago Group seen on BET. Doors open at 6 p.m. Cost: \$20.00.*

Saturday, May 12

11:00am – 3:00pm – Support **Fannie May's Blood Drive** (Neil & Springfield Ave., Ch.) and receive 20% off your purchase.

7:00pm - Second Saturday Men Choirs' Fellowship – Location to be determined.

9:00pm – JazzStep Entertainment presents **30 & Over Jazz Saturdays** in the new addition of the Arrowhead Bowling Lanes (1401 N. McKinley, Ch.). Grown Folks Affair (for those 30 and older). DJ Master Blaster playing R & B, Old School, Jazz and Steppin' Music. Cost: \$5.00.*

Sunday, May 13 – Happy Mothers' Day

Monday, May 14

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 15

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting

Thursday, May 17

5:00pm – 7:30pm – Wesley Evening Food Pantry Distribution at 1203 W. Green St., Urbana. Email info@wesleypantry.org for information or volunteer opportunities.

Friday, May 18

TBA – Star Awards Expo at the I-Hotel, sponsored by the City of Champaign Neighborhood Services Department. Nominations for the Star Awards will be accepted until April 2. For more information, call 217-403-7070.*

Saturday, May 19

8:00am – 10:00am – Listen **LIVE** to **Higher Ground** on **WEFT/90.1FM Radio** or on-line at **WEFT.org**, hosted by Aaron & Carol Ammons. Listen in and/or call in to 217-359-5483 or 217-359-6545 for comments and/or questions.

9:00am – Armed Forces Day Poker Run and Hog Roast Fundraiser. Good Music, Food and Motorcycles. **Cost: \$10.00 per bike and prizes for the best hand.** Registration and rules at 9:00am and the Run starts at 10:00am at Champaign Post 559 to Cerro Gordo Post 117 to Lovington Post 429 to Mattoon Post 88 to Newman Post 201 and back to Champaign Post 559 for food by 4:00pm. Full meal - \$8.00, Sandwich - \$3.00 and \$5 Refillable Cups.*

10:00am – 12noon – St. Luke C.M.E. Church **Food Pantry** – 809 N. Fifth St., Ch.

11:00am – National Council of Negro Women presents the 2012 Living Legends Brunch – “**Silent Thunder: Honoring Female Community (S)heroes 80+ years of age**” at the Hawthorne Suites. Tickets: \$25.00.Adults and \$12.50/Youth 12 and under. Call 217-359-3840 or email champaign_ncnw@hotmail.com for tickets or information. **Mo' Betta Music** will provide music.*

Sunday, May 20

TBA – Community Feast – More information to come

Monday, May 21

6:00pm - Champaign Unit 4 School Special Board Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 22

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Thursday, May 24

7:00pm – Champaign County Board Meeting

Friday, May 25

9:00pm - Illinois Public Media's Community Cinema Series Film "**Hell and Back Again**" on WILL-TV/Radio (channel 12/channel 13 on Comcast).*

Saturday, May 26

TBA – SAVE THE DATE FOR DEHRIZZ ENTERTAINMENT

9:00am – 12noon – Church of the Living God presents **The Love Clinic** at the TLC Annex (310 E. Bradley. Cholesterol and diabetes screenings, health assessment survey, temporary prescription refills (bring medication bottles/no pain medication). Sponsored by Provena Covenant Hospital, Dr. Christina Medrano, Mrs. Wamaitha Sullivan, the Love Corner and Gibson City Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 359-6920.

1:00pm – 2:00pm - **Mo' Betta Music Closing Recital** at Salem Baptist Church.

9:00pm – JazzStep Entertainment presents **30 & Over Jazz Saturdays** in the new addition of the Arrowhead Bowling Lanes (1401 N. McKinley, Ch.). Grown Folks Affair (for those 30 and older). DJ Master Blaster playing R & B, Old School, Jazz and Steppin' Music. Cost: \$5.00.*

Sunday, May 27

3:00pm – **Urbana High School Class of 2012 Graduation** – Assembly Hall

Monday, May 28 – Memorial Day – We Shall Not Forget!

Tuesday, May 29

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Saturday, June 2

8:00am – 10:00am – Listen **LIVE** to **Higher Ground** on **WEFT/90.1FM Radio** or on-line at **WEFT.org**, hosted by Aaron & Carol Ammons. Listen in and/or call in to 217-359-5483 or 217-359-6545 for comments and/or questions.

Saturday, June 2 (cont'd)

9:00pm – JazzStep Entertainment presents **30 & Over Jazz Saturdays** in the new addition of the Arrowhead Bowling Lanes (1401 N. McKinley, Ch.). Grown Folks Affair (for those 30 and older). DJ Master Blaster playing R & B, Old School, Jazz and Steppin' Music. Cost: \$5.00.*

Monday, June 4 – Saturday, June 9

9:00am – 2:30pm – **Mo'Betta Music Premier Camp** targets high school students and is a small ensemble and improvisation camp. The camp registration fee is \$125.00 and scholarships will be offered to free and reduced lunch eligible families. Contact Nathaniel Banks at nathlbanks@gmail.com for more information.

Monday, June 4

5:30pm – Champaign Human Relations Meeting

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 5

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting – Study Session

Thursday, June 7

7:15pm – **Champaign County NAACP Meeting** at the Champaign Public Library, Robeson Pavilion Room B.

Saturday, June 9

6pm – 6am - American Cancer Society's **Relay for Life** of Champaign County at Centennial High School. For more information or to make a donation, call 217-356-9076 or go to the website at www.relayforlife.org/ChampaignIL.

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Monday, June 11 – Saturday, June 16

9:00am – 12noon – **Mo'Betta Music's Developing Artists' Camp** features small group lessons in guitar, winds, strings, and keyboard. This camp will serve students with less than two years playing experience. The camp registration fee is \$125.00 and scholarships will be offered to free and reduced lunch eligible families. Contact Nathaniel Banks at nathlbanks@gmail.com for more information.

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 12

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Wednesday, June 13

5:30pm – Urbana Human Relations Meeting

Saturday, June 16

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Sunday, June 17 – Happy Fathers' Day

Monday, June 18

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 19

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting

7:30pm – Urbana School District #116 Board Meeting – Study Session

Thursday, June 21

5:00pm – 7:30pm – Wesley Evening Food Pantry Distribution at 1203 W. Green St., Urbana. Email info@wesleypantry.org for information or volunteer opportunities.

7:00pm – Champaign County Board Meeting

Saturday, June 23

9:00pm – JazzStep Entertainment presents **30 & Over Jazz Saturdays** in the new addition of the Arrowhead Bowling Lanes (1401 N. McKinley, Ch.). Grown Folks Affair. Cost: \$5.00.*

Monday, June 25

7:00pm – Urbana City Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 26

7:00pm – Champaign City Council Meeting - Study Session

Saturday, June 30

8:00am – 10:00am – Listen **LIVE** to **Higher Ground** on **WEFT/90.1FM Radio** or on-line at **WEFT.org**, hosted by Aaron & Carol Ammons. Listen in and/or call in to 217-359-5483 or 217-359-6545 for comments and/or questions.

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Saturday, June 30 (cont'd)

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Friday, July 13 - GUESS WHO IS TURNING 50? "Praise God From Whom ALL Blessings Flow!"

Saturday, July 14

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Friday, August 10 – Sunday, August 12 – Champaign-Urbana Day Weekend