



MARCH NEWSLETTER

CLCWA-Liberia Ends TOT Workshop

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The first Training of trainers workshop since the lunched of the CLCWA-Liberia concluded today in Monrovia given knowledge to over 16 youth leaders who are expected to return to their various organizations with added experience in workshop preparation, pre-training needs assessment strategies and logistics planning among others.

This TOT workshop is part of the plan activities for CLCWA-Liberia to have peopled who would be empowered with TIG's Methodologies and with expertise require to sustaining the vision of CLCWA. Participants to this training came from over 16 youth organizations, out of the 40 organizations that are member of the CLCWA-Liberia database.

Participants who had previous ICT knowledge from this workshop will be able to effectively conduct the three TIG modules; the ICT basics, ICT and Entrepreneurship and ICT and Leadership trainings within their various organizations, they also will be able to effectively organize and facilitate any kind of workshop with expectedly a better outcome. During the Training Fair, participant demonstrated that they are now train enough and could display what they have learned whenever they are tasked.

On the last day, participants were directed through a training fair, an activity most of them considered interesting and challenging for them. As they were been guided through the process, most of them found it important to and put in their best as they talk to other participants and even to the trainers about there topics.

All participants were share into two groups and each presented a topic voted upon by the group out of three proposed topics.

Creating Local Connections West Africa Liberia project will realize the potential of Young people as Development actors through information and communications technologies

With all commitment to the goals of Takingitglobal, the Creating Local Connections West Africa-Liberia project aims to realize the potential of youth and engage them, as development actors In the improvement of their country, Liberia and region, CLC WA - Liberia project will achieve this through peer-led Trainings, networking national youth meetings, media creation, award processes, research and development of strategic use of information and communication Technologies.



Participant Register as they arrives



Partial View of Participants during section



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ACPI – New Youth Leadership discusses way forward At an Open Forum

The African Child Peace Initiative and the New Leadership of the Caldwell Youth have to a round discussion this Friday, 29th of April 2008.

The open forum organized by ACPI Inc. Brought together youths, students, local leaders, ACPI staffs and other major stake holders within the Township of Caldwell, grace by the Honorable Commissioner of the Township, Hon. Sarah K. Berrien.

Reasons for the gathering surround among others, to create the atmosphere conducive for free expression without fear and favor for the formulation of policy by youths and drawing of agenda which meet the challenges faced by the youth, set the stage for youth empowerment and prioritization of of youths interest thereby setting the basis for collaboration and collective approach in resolving all of the problems of the youths.

Mr. Toniah Gibson, the newly elected Chairman of the youth of Caldwell stress that communication lack and the process of youth integration were some among key challenges face with the youth of Caldwell. He further added that, his leadership is embarking on a process already b formulating boards in various communities aim to serve as medium for dispersal of information and would hardly appreciate collaboration with the ACPI family.

For the Town Council, Mr. Kesaley E. Johnson, who was the first to speak stress on open opportunity for the youth of Caldwell and added for a good working environment for ACPI as an humanitarian and the Youth leadership. He ended by commending ACPI, stressing that the open forum help remedied the issue in the right direction.

A youth representative to the Township's Council, Mr. Mathew Thompson noted that the youth are socially driving, therefore, social activities such as sports, dances etc. will serve as a catylist to bring together the youths.

After long discussions and brainstorming; more interestingly at the 50th minute, the Honorable commissioner than added her voice, first commended the new youth leadership for their ultimate surprise and hard work. She stressed disappointment over attitudes of most parents in the Township for not showing much concern to issue regards youth developments.

She commended the ACPI family and added that the challenges of the youth of Caldwell just like any youth in Liberia are enormous, that solutions or the way forward is the most important issue to consider. As many of you already stated, it is important that we all put our hands together, to see our children and youth of this Township becomes leaders of Tomorrow, she added.



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CLCWA-Liberia Delivers Prices to 3 Winners of Arts Competition

Today 29 of February 2008, we are proud to announce the three Winners of the Arts competition announced since November last year.

The Art competition is part of the Creating Local Connection West Africa project; aim at promoting and motivated talented youth through appreciation and awarding processes of such.

The theme of the competition was "Peace and Unity", and all arts and visual expressions were to follow such guideline of promotion of peace and non violence.

The first Winner of the competition is Student Sam Gannue, a 20 year old who submitted an Art titled: Universal Peace, receives arts materials worth about \$150.00 USD, the 2nd winner, James T. Zayzay, age 18, art titled: Mother of Peace, also work away with material award of up to \$100.00 USD, while the third winner M. Vesselee, age 24 receives material worth \$50.00 USD.

At the presentation ceremony in Caldwell, winners express gratitude to the ACPI family and hope materials presented by partners, the Takingitglobal Canada will be use to further there work and improve their talents. The first winner of the competition was unable to appear for his award due to some ill factors.

Student James, after receiving his awarded materials, was very happy and promised to do his best always to go for more knowledge in his carrier and hope to participate again in further competitions. James started his at work while in elementary and talk drawing as his best interest. He has made many headlines among many students of his schools given his improvements in artistic works over years. Before he became a senior student of the free Pentecostal high school, James have already wan several awards, including the Most Talented student of the year and most creative student awards, by 2005 to 2007.

This Occasion was graced by the Honorable Commissioner including many youths from the surrounding townships and from youth youth representatives and the Caldwell Community Development Chairman Presenting the Awards below.



Left Above; James T. Zayzay Receiving his award and right, representative of M. Veselee receives his on his behalf. Picture of the first winner (center in action at his work site) was absent during this event due to circumstances beyond his control



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Upcoming Events and Opportunities

Second Bi-Annual Youth Meeting In Buchanan – Date To be announced soon

The CLCWA-Liberia second Bi-annual youth meeting is under preparation. We will soon be sending out~ detail information about this meeting. This time we are going to Buchanan City, in Grand Basa County. I

For fast track info regards this important event and other information about CLCWA-Liberia project 1 activities, friends, members and fellow Liberians are always encourage to keep visiting the Liberia site on www.takingitglobal.org or the project page: http://projects.takingitglobal.org/clcwa_liberia.

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Or Visit our Central office ACPI Inc. /CLCW A-Liberia at the YWCA Building in Congo Town .

ACPI Inc. Announces Free Adult Literacy

As part if its Multi - Purpose skills development initiatives, the African Child Peace Initiative have announce registration for free adult literacy program to begin early march at the Multi - Purpose Youth Skills and Peacebuilding center.

It is also important to empower the caregivers of youth and children so as to nurture an equitable share of empowered citizens for a better impact and consolidated re-integration process after long stay of civil unrest

The Director of education programs, Mr. Jarbah A. Jarbah invites all parents, most especially elderly mothers who can not read, neither writes anything, to take advantage of this opportunity.

For more information, please contact: Mr. Jarbah on +231 6 488390 / 6402530 or
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Apply for Staying-Alive Foundation Award

The awards are given to young people as well as youth organizations engaged in grass roots HIV and AIDS awareness, education and prevention campaigns. All of our award winners are selected for their original ideas and determination to promote AIDS awareness at a grassroots level.

For More Information on how to apply

Website: www.staying-alive.org
Email: foundation@staying-alive.org
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Deadline
All proposals must reach a Staying Alive Foundation office by **7th of April 2008**.
We will send an e-mail to all applicants to acknowledge that we have received your application.



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Member Stories



My name is Ruth N. Bropleh, Presently a sophomore student at the Stella Marris polytechnic, Majoring Accounting and majoring Management.

As a Gender Focus Person I am engaged in advocating for Women's Right, Gender Base Violence and Sexual Exploitation and Abuse. I am a beneficiary of CLCWA-Liberia project and think the workshops and training really give me an advantage on my job.

I hope this project can continue, to benefit much disadvantage youth in this country.

Hi... Ruth



I am Pindarous W.T. Allison, born October 19, 1977 and a junior student in the University of Liberia(UL), majoring Political Science and minor in Sociology.

I am presently the national coordinator of Youth Employment Summit (YES LIBERIA NETWORK) and have been interacting with many youth groups, concretizing my colleagues in the advantages of being involved. I have had series of training: Peace building, human rights advocacy, Protection issues, HIV/AIDS Awareness etc.

I am so excited to be a member of Takingitglobal and also member of the most effective CLCWA project in Liberia. I hope to get more involve and discover much more than I have through TIG's platform and to make more good friends as well.

Hi to Liberia and the world..!

P. Allison



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