



... a monthly community calendar of events in Philadelphia,
by and for Consumers of **Liberty Resources, Inc.**

Unless otherwise noted, activities take place at Liberty Resources, 714 Market Street, Suite 100, Philadelphia. You can list an event by calling 215-634-2000, Ext. 266 by the 18th of the month.

Every Weekday:

★ **ADAPT Pretzel sale**, 50¢ each or 3 for \$1.40.

★ **Independence Arts Studio Hours:** Monday - Friday, 10 AM to 4 PM.

Every Tuesday: Youth Social Group, Anyone ages 18 to 30 is welcome to attend, 1 to 3 PM. Help plan social activities and provide support for each other. Call Hope, Ext. 214.

Every Wednesday:

★ **Legal Advocacy** – Free advice and representation on general legal problems for people with disabilities, provided by the Legal Advocacy for Consumers Program of Temple University's Law School. Please arrange appointment. Call 215-204-1800.

★ **Pink and Blue**, Church of St. Luke the Epiphany, Blue Room, 330 S. 13th Street, 7:00-9:00 PM. A free support and resource exchange group for people with mental illness who are bisexual, gay, inter-sex, lesbian, transgender, or questioning adults. Please arrive no later than 7:15 PM. Call 215-546-0300, Ext. 3301 or 215-627-0424.

Every Thursday: Philadelphia City Council, City Hall, Room 400, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM. Attend to let Council members know people with disabilities are concerned about issues affecting the city and our community. Call Denerale, Ext. 295.

By Appointment:

★ **Benefits counseling** for Consumers with disabilities interested in working but concerned about losing benefits. Please schedule your individual appointment. Call Carlos, Ext. 324.

★ **Housing Assistance**, please call Liberty Resources at 215-634-2000, Ext. 325 (Information and Referral).



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- ★ **Visitability meeting**, Bacal Room, First Floor, Visitability is a move to make all new constructed homes "visitabile," for disabled people. This would include one no step entrance and a half bathroom big enough for a wheelchair. For more information on the next meeting, call Damon, Ext. 383.

February 2: "Managing Your Personal Attendant" skills training class begins. To enroll, call Conor, Ext. 337.

February 3:

- ★ **Consumer Advisory Group** meeting, Wade Blank Room, 5th Floor, 12:00-2:00 PM. Tell us how you think we're doing. Share your ideas about our advocacy agenda and attendant care issues. Lunch provided. Please register in advance. Call Linda, Ext. 227
- ★ **Disabled in Action (DIA/Philly ADAPT)** meeting, Suite 205, 4:00-6:00 PM. DIA is the local advocacy group fighting for the rights of people with disabilities in Philadelphia. Call German, Ext. 123.
- ★ **"Consumer Rights & Responsibilities/Introduction to Independent Living"** skills training class begins. To enroll, call Fran, Ext. 225.

February 4: "Social and Communication Skills" skills training class begins. To enroll, call Conor, Ext. 225.

February 5: "Nutrition and Meals" skills training class begins. Consumers must live in the community to participate in this class. To enroll, call Fran, Ext. 225.

February 5 & 19: Taste of Technology Days, Free sessions that provide an overview and tour of the Liberty Resources Academy as well as a career exploration to identify your transferable skills, if seeking employment. 9:00 AM-2:30 PM. Consumers eligible for services under CSPPPD also may take advantage of The Academy's pre-vocational, basic computer skills, and other training classes. Registration is required. Call Louise, Ext. 203.



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February 10: ADAPT Fundraiser Lunch prepared by Morgan Hugo, Sonya Pascone and Patricia Johnson are making tomato soup, sandwiches (tuna, turkey and cheese and peanut butter and jelly) chips, desert and soda for \$6.00. Proceeds help fund disability rights advocacy efforts at the local, state and national levels. To order in advance, call German, Ext. 123.

February 11: SEPTA Advisory Committee Meeting, 1234 Market Street, 11th floor, 12:30-3 PM. Voice your issues with SEPTA buses, the El, trolleys, subway and CCT! Call Shawn, Ext. 245.

February 12:

- ★ **Friday Flicks**, "*The Soloist*" (Open-Captioned), Wade Blank Room, 5th Floor, 1:00-3:00 PM. This film is based on the true story of Nathaniel Ayers, a musical prodigy with schizophrenia who becomes homeless and plays a two-stringed violin in the streets of downtown Los Angeles. LA Times Columnist Steve Lopez meets Ayers and grapples personally with the complex issues and frustrations surrounding the thousands of people with psychiatric disabilities who are homeless on the streets of LA. Friday Flicks is a monthly (2nd Friday) showing of an Independent Living & Disability Rights DVD/video followed by facilitated discussion, free popcorn and beverages.
- ★ **Sweetheart Dance** Carousel House, Belmont Avenue and Avenue of the Republic, 6:30-9:30 pm. Tickets may be purchased in advance in person or by mail. Call 215-685-0160.

February 12 & 26: ADAPT 50/50 Days. See Theresa before 1 PM.

February 15: Presidents' Day Office is Closed

February 19:

- ★ **Support Group for Disabled Women Over 50**, Call Cecilia, Ext. 240.
- ★ **Consumer Connection** meeting, Wade Blank Room, 5th Floor, 1:00-3:00 PM. All Consumers and attendants welcome. Monthly agenda covers issues of concern to the disability community. Call Theresa, Ext. 266, Shawn, Ext. 245, or Jen, Ext. 242.





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February 24: Preview of "The Eyes of Me," This is a PBS documentary that will be shown on WHYY-TV early in the summer. In this film, teenagers tell their stories about the problems, issues, discrimination, etc their experienced growing up blind. A panel discussion will follow. Overbrook School for the Blind, 6333 Malvern Ave., 7:00-9:00 PM. If you are interested in attending, please call Fran, Ext. 225.

February 26: Support Group for Men Over 40. Help get this new peer support group off the ground! 1:00-3:00 PM, Bacal Room, 1st floor. Call Damon, Ext. 383.

February 28: "Pyretown", a drama by American playwright John Belluso, well-known for his plays focusing on persons with disabilities, The Playground at Adrienne Theater, 2030 Sansom St., 2:00-4:30 PM (including panel discussion at the end of the play). *Pyretown* centers on a love affair between a young man who is a wheelchair user and a middle-aged single mother and the complexities of the American health care system and how they navigate through it together. LRI is partnering on this performance with Simpatico Theatre Project, a social theatre, whose goal is to present theatre that encourages audiences to realize awareness alone will not solve problems - active participation is required as well.



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