### Benefits Guide Available

The Department of Health and Human Services has published an updated Guide to Social Security and SSI Disability Benefits for People with HIV Infection. The guide, available in English and Spanish, reflects recent changes in Social Security rules affecting the evaluation of benefits for people with HIV infection. Among other topics, it includes information on eligibility requirements, how to file an application, guidelines for evaluating HIV infection in women and children, and Medicare and Medicaid.

Individual copies can be obtained through the local Social Security office or by calling SSA's toll free number 1-800-772-1213. For bulk quantities write to: Social Security Administration, Public Distribution Center, PO Box 17743, Baltimore, MD 21235. For more information about Social Security or for confidential assistance in applying for benefits, call 1-800-772-1213. ▼

#### Hidden History: CCV Summer Course

Community College of Vermont will again offer a 3 credit course, *Hidden History: Homosexuality and Western History* at its Springfield campus.

Taught by Charles Emond, the course is a survey of the attitudes of various societies towards homosexuals and homosexuality from the beginning of Western Civilization to contemporary times. It will be offered on Wednesdays from 6-9 pm, starting May 25th. This course was offered last term, but didn't draw enough students to run. If the response is not great enough this time, it may not be offered again.

For more information, a complete course description, or to register for this course, contact the CCV office in Springfield at 886-2748. ▼

#### **Caller ID Alert**

Many businesses and agencies have started utilizing Caller ID for a variety of reasons. These include increasing the speed of service calls and adding to databases for future sales or contributions. The reality is that they also have the ability to contact you at any time, because they have your phone number. Since you have no way of knowing when someone you are calling is using Caller ID, it can create confidentiality problems.

Free Caller ID blocking is available. There are two options, per-call blocking or per-line blocking. Per-call blocking is available by dialing \*67 (or 1167 on a rotary pulse phone) before making a call. Per-line blocking is available through NYNEX to anyone who feels they have a health or safety concern regarding the transmission of their phone number (though you can also request it for the simple reason that you don't want this information readily available to anyone you call.) To arrange for per-line blocking contact NYNEX at 1-800-555-5000 ext 504, during usual business hours.

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