



Access Care of Coastal Texas, Inc.

Education, testing, care and support services for HIV-affected residents in Galveston, Brazoria & Matagorda Counties

December 2015

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Our Thanksgiving luncheon will be on Monday, November 23rd at 1:00 p.m. Miller's Seawall Grill will be providing a fabulous turkey luncheon. Please call early for transportation.
- Lee's Art Lesson this month will be on Thursday, December 10th at 11 a.m. We will be making gift boxes for the holidays.
- The Houston Volunteer Lawyers will be here on Thursday, December 10th. Please call to make an appointment.
- ACCT will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 26th & 27th for Thanksgiving.
- A "Turn-a-Bout" benefiting ACCT will be held at Krave on Saturday, December 5th at 10 p.m. Join us for a frolicking good time!
- The San Luis is bringing our Holiday meal on Thursday, December 17th at noon. They are planning a warm wintery meal of Pork Loin, Sour Cherry Sauce, salad, grilled veggies and a surprise dessert!

MEMORIAL TABLE FOR WORLD AIDS DAY

Anyone wishing to display a picture of a loved one, no longer with us, for the table needs to have it here no later than Friday, November 13th. The picture can be up to 8 x 10 and can be picked up December 2nd or if left will be put on a Memorial Wall at ACCT.

THANKS FOR THE BIKES!

The San Luis hosted the Ball High Hospitality Club for a "Team Building" exercise and ACCT received 4 bikes. The students were given the challenge to put the bikes together and the fastest group got day passes to the Pleasure Pier. The beautiful, newly assembled bikes were then donated to ACCT.

HELP! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for reliable volunteers to help in the food pantry the last two weeks of the month. If you are flexible and can help stock shelves and put pantries together, please call Darron at 409-763-2437.

Another opportunity to volunteer is once a month for the newsletter team. This month we will put the mailout together on Tuesday, December 22nd at 9:30 a.m. at ACCT. It only takes about an hour get it ready to mail. If you are interested, call Pam at 409-763-2437.

FREE HIV TESTING

ACCT does free, anonymous testing every day during regular business hours. Knowledge is power! Get tested today.

FREE HIV & STD TESTING

Planned Parenthood will be testing on Thursday, December, 3rd and 17th from 10:30 – 2 p.m. Tests include Syphilis, Gonorrhea, HIV, Chlamydia and Hepatitis C.

BERING DENTAL

There will be NO Bering trips in December with our van. However, if you have an appointment, please contact Darron for alternate transportation.

SUPPORT GROUP

The HIV Support Group for individuals meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 12:30.

“FRIENDS FEEDING FRIENDS”

We serve clients and a guest lunch every Thursday at noon. It is \$100 to sponsor a lunch, and we feed approximately 50 people each week. If you would like to donate a meat, we can fill in with a salad and sides or you can donate a lunch, cook or help out. Please call ACCT at 409-763-2437 to volunteer.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

- Super Newsletter team Sandra, Karen & stamper Joe!
- San Luis for the totally cool but scary Taco Bar!
- Candy’s delish pork steaks, yummy rice, pinto beans, cupcakes and pound cake. What a great cook!
- Clothes, books and appliances donated by K. Ball Withers, Billy Ramsey, & Hanse Ellison!

- Susan Milligan for cards and condiments!
- Robert Perry for great snacks and chips!
- Cathy Conlon-Townsend for lots of chargers!
- Misty and friends raised another \$90 from a yard sale and still counting!
- The Tideway group for the stick-to-your-ribs pasta and salad!

WISH LIST

- We give our clients a “Goody Bag” for the holidays with necessary hygiene products such as soap, shampoo, deo, toothbrush and paste, and razors. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated.
- We are still accepting “gently” used clothing, shoes and clothes hangers.
- Pet food is always welcome for our client’s cats and dogs.
- Cleaning supplies for our clients especially antibacterial soaps and bleach.
- We have a small “lending” library so any books or magazines you would care to donate would be greatly appreciated.

World AIDS Day 2015 Celebration

11:00am - OPEN HOUSE

Free HIV Testing, Light a candle, View ART Exhibit and Memorial Table

5:00PM - Refreshments Reception

5:30PM - Reading of the Proclamation:

Mayor Jim Yarbrough

Guest Speaker: Terrilyn Tarlton

6:00PM - Candle Lighting at the

“Wall of Remembrance”