



Access Care of Coastal Texas, Inc.

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

March 2015

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ACCT will be closed on Monday, March 9th. In-service date.
- Lee’s Art Lesson this month will be on Thursday, March 12th at 11 a.m. Lee will be bringing the makings for a planter. We will be decorating them and planting spring herbs. So come join the fun.
- “Social Night” is Tuesday, March 10th at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served and games played! Call Darron for transportation.
- The Houston Volunteer Lawyers will be here on March 19th at 9 a.m. Be sure to call Sally to make an appointment or to find out what services they offer.

APRIL EVENTS

The San Luis will be preparing and serving our Easter Brunch on Thursday, April 2nd. They always do a fabulous job so call early for transportation.

April 12th - 18th is National Volunteer Appreciation Week. The C.A.B. (Client Action Bureau) is planning a Volunteer Appreciation dinner on Tuesday, April 14th at 5:30 p.m. Invitations will be sent to the many active volunteers and board members that help make ACCT work. If you receive an invitation, PLEASE R.S.V.P. This C.A.B. group is very imaginative, hard workers and got getters!

FREE HIV TESTING

ACCT does free, anonymous testing every day during regular business hours.

CLIENTS

The Clothes Closet is Open! Please come in and check out the newly renovated space. You are welcome to “shop” and donate but please take only what you need so there is enough for everyone.

ACCT is now providing transportation to Bering Dental Clinic twice a month. This month it will be on Friday, March 20th and Friday, the 27th. You need to call the clinic at 713-524-7933 to make an appointment. Tell them you will be receiving transportation from ACCT. Only you can access your records. . There is space for 11 clients each trip which can service 22 each month.

SAVE THE DATE!

The date for our annual fundraiser has been set! This year the Champagne Brunch will be Sunday, May 31st at the Galveston Island Convention Center from noon to 3 p.m. This is ACCT’s 30th anniversary since it began by a group of caregivers from U.T.M.B. The flower for the 30th anniversary is the lily and the jewel is pearl. Soooo – “Lilies & Pearls”, Celebrating 30 years on the Coast, is our theme this year.

This is a casual, fun afternoon to kick off the summer with a great brunch buffet, lively music

and a “one of a kind” auction with original art by local artists as well as other “finds”.

Sponsorships begin at \$150 for reserved seating. Call Pam or Robert at 409-763-2437 to get more information.

KROGER SUPPORTS ACCT

For those of you, who shop at Kroger or the Kroger Family of Stores, please consider linking your Kroger Community Rewards Card to ACCT. These donations add up quickly, and greatly assist our organization with our day-to-day operations, pantry supplies and our Friends Feeding Friends project. If you haven't already linked your Kroger Rewards account to ACCT, please do so today. Access your account by going to Kroger.com and linking to ACCT.

“FRIENDS FEEDING FRIENDS”

One of our favorite friends, Charlene not only donated a lunch last month but also picked up the chicken and fixin's, served it and brought the birthday cake! Whew. Great Job! We serve clients and one guest lunch every Thursday at noon. If you would like to donate a lunch, cook or help out, please call ACCT at 400-763-2437 to volunteer. In March, we have Thursday, the 26th open and would welcome someone or a group to prepare a lunch for our clients.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

- To the great “News Team” Dianna, George & Nathan!
- To the Moody Foundation's Bernice Torregrossa and her helper Don for the super hams, fabulous carrot salad, baked beans and rolls!
- Brack and the Tideway group for the super chicken fried steak, tasty mashed taters, green beans and salad!
- Tim Dudley and Robert Zahn cooked some fabulous hams, yummy mashed potatoes, one of a kind confetti corn and great salad! Such good cooks!
- Charlene for of bringing the scrumptious carrot cake from ShyKatz for our birthday celebration!

WISH LIST

- We are now accepting clean, “gently used” clothes for our new clothes room.
- 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.