



Access Care of Coastal Texas, Inc.
Education, testing, care and support services for HIV-affected residents in
Galveston, Brazoria & Matagorda Counties
May 2015

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Joe, his family and Misty are planning a “Cinco De Mayo” lunch on April 30th.
- Lee’s Art Lesson this month will be on Thursday, May 14th at 11 a.m. So come join the fun.
- The Houston Volunteer Lawyers will be here on May 21st at 9 a.m. Be sure to call Sally to make an appointment or to find out what services they offer.
- Candace’s friend, Nassavau, from Jamaica will be making an authentic Jamaican lunch on Thursday, May 7th so don’t miss it!

E-MAIL

If you would like to be on our e-mail list for either the Newsletter or for special “happenings” please call Sally or Pam at 409-763-2437. An example is the Southside Pharmacy 1 year Anniversary Party.

FREE HIV TESTING

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

FREE HIV & STD TESTING

Planned Parenthood will be testing on Thursday, April 23rd & May 7th from 10:30 – 2 p.m. HIV results will take 15 minutes. Other tests include Syphilis, Gonorrhea, Chlamydia and Hepatitis C.

CLIENTS

If you are issued a gas card, it can only be used for gas. The card will be voided if another item is attempted.

BERING DENTAL

There will be van transportation to Bering Dental on Friday, May 8th and Friday, the 22nd. You need to call the clinic at 713-524-7933 to make an appointment. Tell them you will be receiving transportation from ACCT. Bering requires you to make your own appointment. Van space is limited.

ANNUAL CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

Sponsorships are still available for the ACCT Champagne Brunch. This year the Brunch will be Sunday, May 31st at the Galveston Island Convention Center from noon to 3 p.m. “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 start at \$150 for two reserved seats at the brunch. Individual tickets are presale \$60 a person and \$75 at the door. If you would like to donate to the auction, be a sponsor or reserve tickets call Pam or Robert at 409-763-2437 or to get more information.

EARTH DAY

Earth Day was April 22nd so Lee, being one of the “original” conservationists, made coffee cup holders for our clients. Clients can bring their own cup to hang on the wall to cut down on all of the Styrofoam cups we use. We have a marker to put your name on it and you will need to be responsible for keeping it clean.

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”

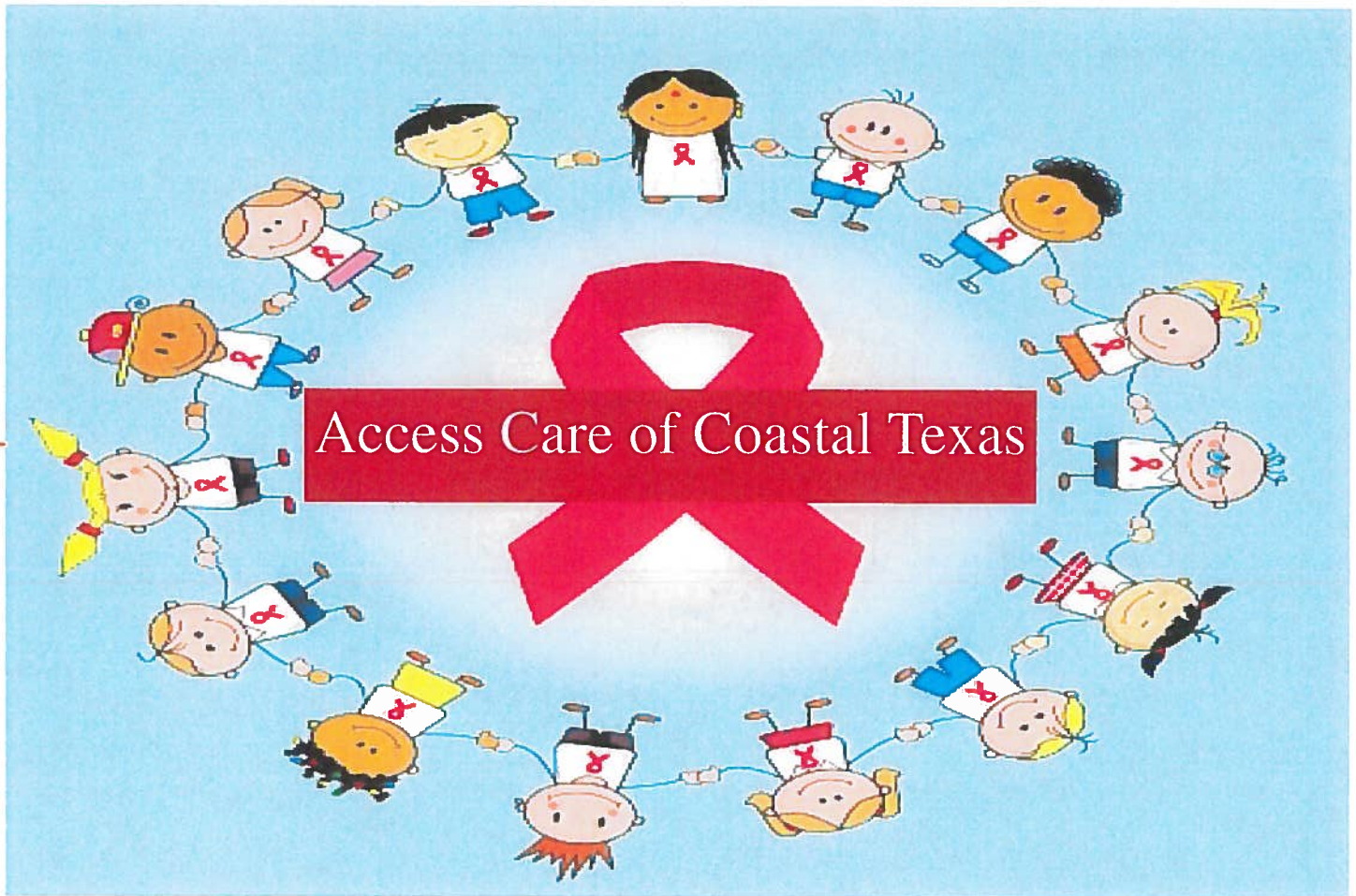
Our good friend Al, donated the April 16th lunch which was “Salads & S'mores”. We serve clients and one guest lunch every Thursday at noon. If you would like to donate a lunch, cook or help out, please call ACCT at 400-763-2437 to volunteer

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

- To our super news team Nathan, George and stamper Joe!
- Matt for taking such good care of our “Wall of Remembrance” garden!
- San Luis for the perfect Easter Lunch with a ham carving station, yummy mac & cheese, excellent grilled veggies, always wonderful salad, rolls and tasty red velvet cake!
- Gilead for the fun pizza party lunch!
- To the Galveston Big Gay Ball who donated \$500 from their Mardi Gras Ball!
- Brack and the Tideway group for the “FAB” tailgate chili & cornbread!
- Jim & Brett made fabulous scalloped potatoes with smoked ham, the best ever spinach salad, rolls and three kinds of yummy cakes!
- Charlene for bringing delicious cakes from ShyKatz for our birthday celebrations!

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.



ANNOUNCES THE FORMATION OF TWO NEW HIV PEER DRIVEN SUPPORT GROUPS!

- HIV POSITIVE INDIVIDUALS
4TH THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT 12:45PM—1:45PM (After Lunch)
- HIV PARTNERS POS/POS POS/NEG
2ND TUESDAY 5:30PM—6:00PM



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Free HIV & STD Testing

Join us on **Thursdays**

Starting March 26th

From 10:30 A.M. until 2:00 p.m. for
Free health screenings

- HIV (results in 15 minutes)
 - Syphilis
 - Gonorrhea
 - Chlamydia
 - Hepatitis C

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