

# ACCT



Our Mission: To provide compassionate community based education and services that empower people of all ages to live courageously with HIV/AIDS.

## ACCT NEWSLETTER

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Thursday, September 6, 2012, Dr. Philip Keiser MD will be speaking at our noon lunch on “Safe Sex, HIV Resistance & STD’s”. Bring your questions and enjoy chipped beef sandwiches and the “fixins”.
- A new Thursday lunch sponsor has joined us in providing a nutritional meal for our clients. The “TIDEWAY Lunch Bunch” will be teaching their clients to cook and we get the benefit of a tasty meal. TIDEWAY will be doing lunch every 2nd Thursday of the month through the end of the year. Please join us and welcome them.
- Gilead Sciences, Inc. will be providing lunch on Thursday, September 20, 2012. Lynn Selzer, their representative, will be speaking on “Sticking to HIV Treatments”. Join us and enjoy a hot meal and an informative discussion on client’s needs.
- Our Halloween Lunch will be on October 25, 2012. Gilead will be sponsoring the lunch and we will have lots of good food, candy and a chance to win prizes playing **HIV JEOPARDY!** More to come next month.
- The 2nd Annual 5K Fun Run/Walk will be held on Saturday, November 10, 2012. Sponsorships are available for \$100, \$250 and \$500. Call for more info!

### ATTENTION CLIENTS

Van Transportation for Thursday client lunches begins September 1st. To reserve a seat call Jake at 409-763-2437 by 5 p.m. the Tuesday before the lunch you will be attending.

## CENTER'S CORNER

### VICTOR'S ENTRY

First, I would like to say that I am very happy to be part of such an amazing staff here at A.C.C.T. I can honestly say that I look forward to coming to work each day. The clients have made me feel so welcome here at the agency and I am very humble and grateful to assist each and every client that walks through the door. If any client needs to utilize STRMU ( Short Term Rent Mortgage Utility Assistance), please do not hesitate to schedule an appointment with me. I will do everything possible in order to assist you. If I am unable to assist, I will find someone who can assist with your emergency.

### BIGGGGG THANKS !

- To the Houston Volunteer Lawyers for all their continued help & expertise
- To our very own George who donated a lunch in Memory of Andy Thomas
- To Candy for the fantastic Chicken Enchilada Casserole (family recipe even)
- Bill Milligan's delicious spaghetti and meatballs and helpers Billy and Lindsey
- ShyKatz for the "out of this world" cakes each week (strawberry is the favorite so far)
- Jensen Therapeutics for bringing "Luna's" Mexican food to the island. It was fabulous
- Val & Dixie for the scrumptious brisket, killer Charro beans and Mark's world famous southern potato salad
- ALL the Staff, board members and other volunteers who helped and donated to the Yard Sale. Could not have set up without Val, Nathan, Mark & Sandy

### WE NEED HELP!

- We need volunteers to help with the newsletter. If you would like to help fold, stamp or label, we will be putting together the newsletter on Wednesday, September 26th starting at 1 p.m. Just show up!
- The pantry receives food bank every other Wednesday. If you are able to help unload the truck and or stock, please let Jake know. 409-763-2437

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## SHIRLEY'S NOTES

### PUSH UPS

- Who has overcome many obstacles as they have moved down to the island and found new living quarters? Things are turning around. Congratulations!
- Who has just celebrated being clean for two years. All you long timers, speak up! You can encourage others.
- Who has decided to go back to college and pursue more education? Anyone else have goals they want to reach? Go for it!
- Someone I saw in our lobby is a gifted artist. Use it!
- There are some clients, and you know who you are, who really do keep up with all their paper work, scheduled doctors appointments and their pantry days. Thanks from the staff.
- Got any bragging to do on yourself or someone else? Well bring it on. No names please.

### OVERHEARD...DID YOU HEAR?

- Someone has come back on staff at ACCT—full time again. Welcome back!
- Someone eats Captain Crunch at her desk. At least they share.
- There is someone who is always around to help others with computer questions and problem. No mask or cape just a smile. Thanks.
- There is a buzz heard around that our clients are excited about what is happening at ACCT and the new staff. It seems some clients are glad to be back and others seem to be on the way. WELCOME ALL!

### OUR HERO

Recently, someone threw a rock through our kitchen window. Several heard it and ran to see what had happened. Mark, Robert and Jake ran out the back door in hot pursuit. Jake was able to call the police and chase them. The 3 people were caught and charged. Jake was a little winded but he never gave up. Our own Jake is our HERO!

### WISH LIST

ACCT would like to provide a soda machine for our clients and also bring in a modest amount to our fundraising effort. Unfortunately, funds are not available for this purchase. If you or an organization to which you belong are looking for a charity project for a non-profit, please consider us. We and our clients would be most grateful. Please call Christine or Pam at 409-763-2437.

Hygiene products seem to always be needed for our clients because they are expensive and taxable. Our needs at this time are shampoo, disposable razors and most especially men and women's deodorant.

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