

# 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

- “Lee’s Art Lessons” - This month we begin a mosaic that will be auctioned off at the annual Champagne Brunch. This is ACCT’s major fundraiser and will take place on Sunday, June 9th from noon to 3:00 at the beautiful San Luis. There is a delicious buffet, lively music and a one of a kind art auction. Lee will be designing a mosaic that we all can participate in creating. Join us at the Center on Tuesday, April 9th from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. We will be serving lunch and it is FREE. Transportation is available so call Jake at 763-2437 to be picked up.
- There will be a C.A.B. meeting on Thursday, April 18th at 1:00. We will be discussing a new service and want to get started earlier rather than later.
- Our monthly movie day is on the 4th Tuesday of the month. This month it will be on April 25th from 11 a.m. –2 p.m. A newly released movie will be shown and we will be having popcorn and a tasty lunch. Call Jake for a ride. The van only holds 11 so first come first serve.
- The Houston Volunteer Lawyers will be at ACCT on Thursday, April 18th at 9 a.m. Call Sean to make an appointment or to discuss what services they offer.

Last month I wrote that anyone not able to pay for their medications or having problems getting to medical appointments should contact us so we can help. A lot of clients did so, and I am happy to say that several people came in and received transportation assistance and pharmaceutical assistance that had not been receiving such help before. That is what we are here for! But it takes communication, and we want to hear from you. I know that we all are busy with the day to day stuff, but if you need something that we might be able to help you with, or you have an idea that might help someone else, please be sure to give us a call or drop us a note so we can see what is possible. Many may not know that our email here at ACCT is [galveston.acct@gmail.com](mailto:galveston.acct@gmail.com) and is a quick way for you to contact us if time is not a pressing matter.

Also, please check out the new information/education brochure wall station in the entry area. There is some great information available, including information concerning an ongoing study at UTMB in the NEUROAIDS resource center that may be of interest to many of our clients.

*Mark*

## **UNITARIAN EVENT**

On Sunday, April 7th, the Unitarian Fellowship Church is holding a special collection for our organization. Mark will speaking at the 10:30 service. All are welcome. Some might remember that the Unitarian Church loaned us their kitchen and sanctuary for our Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners after Hurricane Ike. They are long time friends to ACCT.

## **THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU**

- Our great pantry workers Reggie, Leigh & Dell under the fierce eye of our Jake
- Pamela Passino for the scrumptious sandwiches and tasty chili
- Tideway made fabulous chicken and dumplings
- ShyKatz for the always wonderful desserts
- March Newsletter crew loyal workers Candy & Nathan
- Special thanks to all our helpful clients who stick around after lunch to help clean up and take out the trash. It's nice to have new volunteers.

## **FRIENDS FEEDING FRIENDS**

We have a new group of "Friends" wanting to help with our lunches. The Unitarian Fellowship will be providing lunch on Thursday, April 25th and want to plan on participating a couple of more times this year. Welcome and thank you for making us your designated Non-profit organization for the month of April. If you are interested in donating a lunch, we feed 30-40 clients per week and a lunch sponsorship is \$100, Please call Pam at 763-2437.

## **FREE HIV TESTING**

We have free HIV testing at ACCT. No appointment is needed.

## **WISH LIST**

Many of our clients have pets and as we all know, they are our children and costly ones at that. The Galveston Island Humane Society graciously gives us animal food throughout the year. I am afraid our demand cannot keep up with their supply. Therefore, if you would like to donate cat or dog food, toys, leashes or just treats our clients would be very appreciative as are their "children".

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