

## Englewood CHAT Meeting Summary September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**Present:** Barbie Arbour, Eric Stockley, Norine Donaldson, Hilary Woodcum, Melissa Perkins, Madeline McGrail, Kelly Carr, Connie Ellis, Bill Coy, Megan Burkard, Jessica Martell, Vicki Rice, Diane Ramseyer

**Welcome, Introductions** – Connie Ellis welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Review of July Meeting Summary** – July summary was reviewed and accepted as presented.

**H1N1 Community Resource Training** – H1N1 toolkit developed by the Sarasota County Health Department for the CHATs to provide them with information and resources that they can share with neighbors, family, workplace and other organizations. CHAT members are asked to share this information with others in the community. Additional information was shared on the issue from CDC and Health Department. To keep current on information regarding H1N1 and current situation – here are several resources- [www.sarasotahealth.org](http://www.sarasotahealth.org) and [www.myflusafety.com](http://www.myflusafety.com), as well as the CDC website – [www.flu.gov](http://www.flu.gov). Downloadable copies of the information in the Tool-kit are located at the Sarasota County Health Department website – [www.sarasotahealth.org](http://www.sarasotahealth.org).

**Sharing Time** – Those in attendance shared introductions and community information:

- ✧ Bill Coy shared that the Englewood Hospital can have spiritual advisors talk with grieving families.
- ✧ Vicki Rice shared information about Englewood Helping Hand, including 2 upcoming fundraisers
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Bike Run on December 12 at Englewood United Methodist Church
  - Macy's shopping fundraiser for Englewood Helping Hand Oct. 17 – call 474-5864 to see about getting your 10% off coupon for \$5.00. Proceeds from coupon go to Helping Hand.
- ✧ Community Pharmacy is at St Dennis' Church on Thursdays.
- ✧ Barbie Arbour shared an updated on the capital funding for the Englewood One-Stop. They have submitted a grant for stimulus funds.
- ✧ Nautical Flea Market – Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> – at the Fishery – funds raised are used to help gather and distribute clothing for kids in the community.
- ✧ November 7, Patty Berg Cancer Research Golf Outing – Rotonda Golf and Country Club
- ✧ Dec 5-6 – Rotary Club Fine Art Festival at Downtown Englewood
- ✧ November 23<sup>rd</sup> – Darkwood Arts and Music Center, Punta Gorda – “The Mine Shaft” Play free – asking donation of canned good for Charlotte Aids/HIV network. Will also have free rapid HIV testing. This is a play with adult content – not a family event. Contact Eric

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Stockley at the Charlotte County Health Dept for additional information. Doors open at 6.

- ✧ 56,000 new HIV cases continue to happen annually in the US
- ✧ Norine Donaldson shared information she learned at a Senior Friendship Center about ways to prevent Medication Errors. This presentation is available through the Visiting Nurse Association.
- ✧ SCOSA offers free Alcohol Beverage Server Training to businesses in Sarasota County. Hilary Woodcum has gotten interest from several places in Englewood. Any referrals – please let her know at 377-7736.
- ✧ October 29<sup>th</sup> – 6pm – Prescription Drug Abuse Candlelight Vigil at North Port High School
- ✧ SCOSA Golf Outing at Lake Venice Golf Club – October 17<sup>th</sup>. Call 377-7736.
- ✧ Melissa Perkins shared information about domestic violence and victim advocate services – Center for Abuse and Rape Emergencies, Inc. They have an office in the County Building on San Casa – Monday – Friday 8-3. They also do prevention presentations, including at high school.
- ✧ Megan Burkard shared information on Charlotte County Behavioral Health and Jessica Martell shared information on the BRAVE grant. This grant provides services to veterans and active duty armed forces who served in Iraq or Afghanistan.
- ✧ Madeline McGrail shared information on Projects with Industry – provides job training and job coaching for persons with disabilities.
- ✧ CHAC is having an open house Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> in Sarasota - call 355-0888, ext 267 for information.
- ✧ October 9 – 9-11am - Veteran Resource Fair at Suncoast Auditorium, Englewood Community Hospital – Services, including those through Tidewell Hospice and Palliative Care. There will be a Pinning Program – to thank veterans for their service to the community and country. After the event, a bus will be going to the Veterans Cemetery.
- ✧ Leadership Englewood group graduates today at Noon – at Chamber. Apply for 2010 by Monday at the Chamber. This year, the class support Habitat for Humanity.
- ✧ Englewood Hospital Health Fair – 8-1 pm November 14<sup>th</sup>.
- ✧ Connie Ellis shared about Women’s Resource Center – peer counseling is available from 1-4 on Thursday at Englewood United Methodist Church. They also have Ask-a-Lawyer available for \$8/30 minutes – contact Connie to set up appt. – 350-9398.

## **Englewood Agency Roundtable Meets in October 15<sup>th</sup>!**

**Next CHAT Meeting will be November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009 – 9:00 am**

*Guest – Crystal Bruce, Tobacco Prevention Specialist*

*Discussing our activities and budget for tobacco mini-grant*

**CHAT is the Community Health Action Team –**

<http://www.chip4health.org/englewood.htm>

**For More Information – Please Call Diane at:**

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