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A Message from Our Executive Director



Hearing from so many people about the impact Shanti has had on their lives is one of the most enjoyable and gratifying aspects of leading an organization that has as rich a legacy as Shanti does

It seems as if at every community event I attend, there will be people who have their "Shanti story" to share—stories of how they once were Shanti volunteers themselves, or had friends who volunteered with us, or, in many cases, had friends who received support from us.

It is humbling to hear these stories, and even more humbling to see many of these past supporters re-connect with the organization, as they have in 2010. Their motivation is simple—to ensure that a new generation of Shanti stories can unfold, because at the heart of each of these stories is one common theme: a client who received the support, companionship and advocacy they needed as they faced the daunting challenges of serious illness.

Our 36th Annual Benefit Dinner, "Compassion Is Universal", will be an evening for all of us to hear some of these stories, as we recognize some of our most inspirational clients and volunteers, while raising the necessary funds to support the increasing number of people needing our services. I hope you will be able to join us on October 13th for this memorable evening.

Kaushik Roy

A Message from Our Board Chair

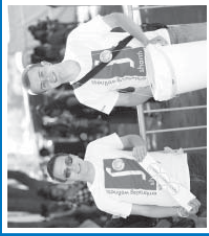


Fall is upon us once again, and I thank you for all you've done, all we hope you can do, and perhaps will do as we strive to meet the demands put on Shanti since the economy soured. Though we serve more clients than ever before, we have not turned away a single person and have continued to meet our objectives with positive responses from clients and our partners, all with the same level of resources. Shanti's 35th anniversary event in 2009 was a huge success thanks to each of you, and we ask you to please join us again on October 13th to raise funds and awareness. I look forward to greeting you at "Compassion is Universal" October 13th at the Hotel Nikko and thanking you for your generous support and service.

Stu Smith

Summer Events at Shanti

We've been busy this summer at Shanti, from helping with Pride, Pink Saturday and Up Your Alley Street Festivals, to participating in the annual AIDS Walk, to launching the new Shanti C.A.R.E.S program at this year's San Francisco Marathon. Staff, board members and volunteers all helped to make these events a great success!



Volunteers Chris Gere and Matt Thomas helped Shanti collect donations at the gates of the 40th annual Pride Celebration and Parade on June 27, 2010



Staff members Matthew, Simone, and Clayton Bohlen, along with Ginger Vintarney helped collect nearly \$3,000, and celebrated at Pogo Legs and Beerwine Remembrance on the day of the AIDS Walk



Shanti C.A.R.E.S. (Compassionate Advice, Banning Stigma, Enhance Services) members getting ready to participate in San Francisco Marathon on July 25, 2010. The Shanti C.A.R.E.S. team launched this year as a way for participants to join an adult marathon or half-marathon training, and fundraising group that also supports Shanti's mission of providing practical and emotional support to San Francisco's most vulnerable individuals living with life-threatening illnesses.



Over 20 Shanti staffers showed up on Sunday July 18, 2010 to walk and volunteer, raising over \$12,000 for the San Francisco AIDS Walk.

Lifelines Advisory Fundraising Committee

Shanti's Lifelines Breast Cancer Program (Lifelines) continues to flourish in every way, as illustrated by the 40% increase in clients served over the past 24 months. In order to ensure that no one is ever turned away from our services and that the program has sustainable funding, we are actively recruiting for our new Lifelines Advisory Fundraising Committee with the aim of augmenting donor cultivation and community awareness.

Our initial efforts will target launching an annual fundraising event specifically benefiting Lifelines. We're looking for people who are passionate about the work that we do and in particular, individuals with non-profit fundraising and event planning experience. If you or someone you know would like to learn more, please contact Maria Caprio, Lifelines Program Director at 415.674.4780 or email at mcaprio@shanti.org.

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Thank you to all of our generous in-kind donors!

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Lifelines New Beneficiary for Beats for Boobs



Beats for Boobs

On October 8, 2010 at Mezzanine in San Francisco, Beats for Boobs will host their annual fundraiser from 6pm-2am and our Lifelines Breast Cancer Program is a beneficiary! The event will include a fashion show, food, live art, education exhibits, DJs and live performances. For tickets and more information go to www.beats4boobs.org.

Beats for Boobs is committed to the eradication of breast cancer through research, education, screening, support services and treatment.

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tion event at Sun. Bar to show our gratitude for all of the selfless work volunteers do throughout the year. The evening was filled with dancing, sniffs, and a focus on the amazing work of our dedicated volunteers!

We are looking for volunteers to help us fulfill our beneficiary obligations for the Casro Street Fair on Sunday, October 3rd. To sign-up for a 4.5 hour volunteer shift during the fair, please contact Megan O'Brien at 674-4708.

Our upcoming Peer Support Volunteer Training will be held on November 5-7 and evening of November 10th. For more information, please visit www.shanti.org or Megan O'Brien at 674-4708.

Jeffrey's Place, a Gay/B/Queer Men's Cancer Support Group

On July 16, 2010 Jeffrey's Place celebrated its one year anniversary. The group started in July 2009 to serve Gay/B/Queer men recently diagnosed with cancer, in treatment or dealing with survivorship issues. The group is also in memory of Jeffrey Hargraves, a San Francisco actor, director & playwright and close friend of a staff member.

The group has been supported by the generous donations of Mary and Virgil Bynum, close friends of Mr. Hargraves. The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence have also supported the work of the group through grants and making the group a beneficiary of Pink Saturday revenues. A special Thank You goes out to Gregg Timmons for volunteering time, energy and caring to co-facilitate the group over the last year.

endring for the upcoming L.I.F.E. health workshop for African-Americans.

The 3rd Annual L.I.F.E. Alumni Party, held in August, was a great success! Save the date for the upcoming L.I.F.E. holiday party on December 19th. Contact Karl at (415) 674-4706 or knappe@shanti.org for more information about supporting or joining a L.I.F.E. * programming in the Bay Area.

This month, L.I.F.E. staff member Clayton Robbins provided a presentation on HIV self-management and wellness to nearly 350 individuals living with HIV at the 2010 Empowerment Conference in New Orleans, and met with the first graduating class of L.I.F.E. in New Orleans. Clayton and board Vice-chair Keith Waltrip have begun the search for a few great supporters to join the new L.I.F.E. advisory committee. Committee members will provide support to ensure the continued growth and longevity of the national L.I.F.E. Program*, including planning a 2011 event to celebrate the program's 20th anniversary. For more information, or to support National L.I.F.E., please contact Clayton at (415) 674-4716 or crobbins@shanti.org.

Volunteer Services

The weekend of August 13 through 15th we conducted our 3rd Peer Support Volunteer Training of the year, which consisted of 25 fresh new Peer Support Volunteers whom we will be matching with our HIV Services and Lifelines clients.

On Tuesday, September 14th we held a volunteer apprecia-

Randy Algaier Awarded a Positive Leadership Award

We are pleased to share the recent recognition of Randy Algaier, Shanti's Director of HIV Health Services Planning Council Support. On April 26, Randy was awarded a Positive Leadership Award by The National Association of People With AIDS. The Positive Leadership Award is NAPWA's highest recognition of service to people living with HIV and AIDS, honoring elected officials and advocates who have made major contributions to improving the lives of people living with HIV in the last year. He was chosen to receive it in recognition of his unparalleled leadership and contributions to ending the pandemic and human suffering caused by HIV/AIDS.

Additionally, Randy was among a group of community leaders who attended a reception at the White House with President Obama that honored the work of the HIV/AIDS community. Randy describes his experience here, "On April 13th when the President unveiled the first ever National HIV/AIDS Strategy we saw an historic moment in the nearly 3 decade history of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the United States. It was an honor to be at the White House for this event and to attend the President's reception for the HIV/AIDS community. President Obama is the first president to acknowledge our community and to honor the work of members of our community with a high profile event at the White House and in doing so drew renewed attention to the domestic HIV/AIDS epidemic."



Randy speaking on the impact of HIV/AIDS. Before the P.I.F.E.W. at the ADAP Advocacy Association Conference in Washington, D.C.

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Spotlight on New Staff

William Ching, Administrative Assistant, HIV Health Services Planning Council
William is the new administrative assistant for the San Francisco HIV Health Services Planning Council. Prior to joining the staff and with the help of the Stomach Prize, William spent a year on an independent project combating HIV/AIDS stigma, particularly in historically marginalized communities. William previously served as advocacy co-chair of the National Asian American Student Conference (NAASCon), and participated as a Young People For (YFP) and Public Policy and International Affairs (PPIA) fellow. William graduated with a degree in ethnic studies from the University of California, Berkeley and has previously studied at Princeton and the University of Cambridge.

Megan O'Brien, Volunteer Services Coordinator
Megan is the new Volunteer Coordinator at Shanti. Since relocating to San Francisco in 2008, Megan has been volunteering at the Berkeley Free Clinic as a Peer Counselor and Coordinator, in addition to assisting in the planning and execution of the BFC's volunteer trainings. Prior to joining the staff at Shanti, Megan worked on a wide range of social justice campaigns, including antiwar and anti-corporate globalization organizing in DC. She has worked abroad at an AIDS Hospice in Southern Africa, with youth activists on the Thai-Burma border, and traveled extensively throughout Central and South America. Megan earned her undergraduate and graduate degrees from American University in Washington, DC in International Relations and International Peace and Conflict Resolution Studies, respectively.

Augusta Del Zotto, HIV Health Counselor, L.I.F.E. Program
Augusta is a Marriage and Family Therapist (IMF 54695) with extensive experience in HIV, trauma and recovery issues. She co-facilitates the L.I.F.E. Program and L.I.F.E. En Español. Ms. Del Zotto is one of few women therapists in the nation who is "out" as an HIV Positive person and speaks and writes extensively about her personal experiences. Augusta is a former Vice Chair of the San Francisco Mental Health Board and is currently hosting young people from Waldorf School/Alexandra Township (South Africa) who have parents diagnosed with HIV and AIDS.

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COMPASSION IS UNIVERSAL

Tickets for our 36th Annual Benefit, *Compassion is Universal*, are now on sale: www.shanti.org/pages/compassion-is-universal.html

Ongoing Activities and Workshops

L.I.F.E.

Every Thursday from 6pm – 8pm, L.I.F.E. Experiences, a Poz-Centric Potluck workshop focused on the needs of gay and bisexual HIV+ men, occurs. It's fun, crazy, sensitive, and the food is beyond delicious. Call John at 415-674-4713 for more information.

Our L.I.F.E. Health Workshop for gay and bi HIV+ men takes place every Tuesday from 6pm-9:30pm. Call Karl at 415-674-4706 for more information.

Yoga for HIV-Positive Health
Tuesday.....4:15 – 5:30pm

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HIV Services Schedule

Drop-in Center & Service Hours

Tuesday9:30am – 11:30am
Wednesday (drop-in services only, no appointments)9:30am – 12:30pm
Thursday9:30am – 12:30pm

Activities Desk
Tuesday – Friday.....10:00am – 12:00pm

LIFE Health Chat
Tuesday.....11:30am – 12:30pm

Vent: A support group for clients
Wednesday.....10:00am – 12:00pm

W.E. Women Experiencing: A safe space for all women
Friday.....10:00am – 12:00pm

Movie Night
3rd and 4th Thursday of the month.....5:00 – 7:30pm

HIV Services is closed Monday – Friday, 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Activities

Shanti offers clients the opportunity to enjoy some of the Bay Area's interesting activities and events while socializing and establishing connections with their peers. The activities program is available to clients Tuesday through Friday from 10am-12pm. Call 415-674-4743 for more information.

LifeLines

Message
Tuesday.....2 – 2:45pm, 3 – 3:45pm, 4 – 4:45pm
Thursday.....1:30 – 2:30pm, 2:45 – 3:45pm

Facials
Thursday.....10 – 10:45am, 11 – 11:45am, 12 – 12:45pm

Gentle Yoga Workshop
Coming in October and November

Other Upcoming LifeLine workshops
Breast Cancer Nutrition Classes in Cantonese, English and Spanish, Health Chats in Cantonese, English and Spanish, Dance Movement Therapy, Farmers Market Excursion, Beauty Day at the SF Institute of Cosmology, Art Therapy Class, The ABC's of Sex After Cancer, Community Picnic at Conservatory of Flowers, and Winter Celebration Event.



36 Years of Community and Compassion



On October 13th, Shanti will host our 36th Annual Benefit Dinner, *Compassion is Universal*. This special occasion will recognize the services Shanti provides, the remarkable strength and courage of our clients, as well as the enduring values on which Shanti was founded: no one should face serious illness alone and that we all possess a tremendous capacity for a compassionate service—that indeed, *compassion is universal*.

The event will be hosted at the Hotel Nikko, and the evening's proceeds will allow us to reach and fully support over 100 new clients with HIV/AIDS or breast cancer for an entire year. Funds raised from this event will also assist us in reaching our annual goal to recruit, train and support 120 new peer support volunteers, who are matched one-on-one with clients to provide weekly emotional and practical support.

We are extremely thankful and excited to have the support of so many members of the community. Our top sponsors for the event include The Honorable James C. Hormel and Michael P. Nguyen; The Bob Ross Foundation; Dede Wilsey; Dr. Charles Garfield (Shanti's founder) and Cindy Spring; and Wells Fargo. For a complete list of our sponsors see inside panel. For information on becoming a sponsor, please visit www.shanti.org/pages/compassion-is-universal.html.

The evening will also allow us to recognize important members of the Shanti community, including the San Francisco Foundation, who will receive our 2010 Funding Leadership Award. "The San Francisco Foundation began supporting Shanti over 20 years ago during some of the most acute days of the AIDS epidemic," said Executive Director, Kaushik Roy. "During this time, they have supported virtually every aspect of the agency including our Volunteer Program, capacity building and, most recently, our services for underserved individuals with breast cancer. We are truly honored and grateful for our historical relationship."

We will also honor two clients, Siu Smith and Connie Champagne, with the James C. Hormel and Lifelines Client Community Spirit Awards, respectively, as well as long-time volunteer Jonathan Patrizio with our Charles A. Garfield Volunteer Leadership Award.

Over 450 guests will attend this year's dinner, reflecting the many

different communities who support Shanti's work and who are united in their belief that the community's most vulnerable individuals with HIV/AIDS or breast cancer should have at least one compassionate source of support in their lives. The evening will begin at 5:30 pm with a reception and silent auction. Dinner and an inspirational program follow at 7 pm. For more information about this event, please visit www.shanti.org. You can also contact Ariana Katz at 415.674.4759 or akarz@shanti.org.

Around the Universe

the 2010 Shanti Benefit Auction

And don't miss our online auction, new this year, at biddingforgood.com/shantiproject.

Lifelines Receives 100K from Avon

AVON Walk for Breast Cancer, the AVON Foundation for Women presented Shanti with a check for 100K, 50K a year for two years to support our Lifelines Breast Cancer Program. Thank you AVON for your recognition of this vital program, and congratulations to the Lifelines staff, volunteers, and clients!



Mark Habel, Maria Caprio, Director of Lifelines, Kaushik Roy, Executive Director of Shanti and Avon President, Carol Kung present 100K Check to Lifelines.

Randy Algaier Meets with President Obama at the Whitehouse

See full story on inside of newsletter