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The Holiday Grocery at AIDS Vancouver will take place on Monday December 16 and Tuesday December 17 this year. Cheque issue is on Wednesday December 18 and the food bank will be closed. The holiday Grocery will take place at the usual place in the PARC building at 1107 Seymour Street and because of renovations waiting space may be cramped.

I could also use some volunteer drivers with vehicles to drive people home with their Groceries during the Holiday grocery dates.

The Grocery will be closed from December 18, 2002 until January 7, 2003. January 7th will be the first Grocery day of the New Year.

pride parade 2002

This year's Pride float entry for AIDS Vancouver focused on Gay Men's Health Programs. The creative theme of this year's float,



AIDS Vancouver - the new wave in gay men's health, was the brainchild of volunteer Richard O'Donnell. It allowed volunteers and staff to have fun with an 1980's theme incorporating new wave costumes and music. Against the rules (rebels that we are) bazooka bubble gum was tossed into the crowd. This plus the music ensured that everyone - marchers and spectators alike - had a fabulous "Wake Me Up Before You Go Go" time.



Artists Among Us!

Volunteer Resources would like to host and boast your creative expressions during next year's National Volunteer Week. In April 2003, Volunteer Resources would like to give our AV artists an opportunity to show case and celebrate their creative productions.

If you are a current AV volunteer who:

- identifies as being a visual "artist"
- makes/creates/produces 2 dimensional art, such as, drawing, painting, photography, mixed media or sketch
- is willing to share and submit your portfolio and/or pieces for review
- is interested in show casing your work with other AV artists
- is very enthusiastic about this kind of collective process....

Then I want to hear from you!

All submissions will be reviewed and juried for final selection. All artists will be responsible for the final presentation of their artwork (needed props, set-up and tear down). Space is limited, so if this excites you and you would like to participate, contact Parm at 604-893-2212 or by e-mail at parmp@aidsvancouver.org

Contact me by: November 25, 2002



AV at AIDS Walk 2002

A big congratulations and thank you to everyone that raised pledges on behalf of AIDS Vancouver at the annual AIDS Walk on September 22.

The final figures are in, and thanks to your efforts, we raised a record \$11,281 through our three 2002 AIDS Walk teams.

Special thanks to **Creo Inc.**, the top AIDS Vancouver team and the overall top Community Partner Team, who through the incredible efforts of Team Captain, Guy Soulliere, and his group of generous walkers, raised a whopping \$8,621.

A big cheer also goes to the AV Co-Team Captains — Miranda Compton and Heather Hoiness, who mobilised friends, family, past and current staff and clients of AIDS Vancouver for a final total of \$1,765.

Last but not least, the AIDS BC Foundation Team, at its first AIDS Walk, brought in \$895 through its team of staff, volunteers and board members.

Three cheers to everyone who participated, this event would not have been a success without your commitment and support!



AIDS Vancouver's Walk Team Report



This was a vital year for AIDS Vancouver's participation in the Walk... The Financial Assistance Fund and the AIDS Vancouver Grocery are in urgent need of financial support.

AIDS Vancouver staff really rallied in support of these two programs. Our team had participation from past and current staff, clients, volunteers, family and friends.

We are pleased to report to that the AIDS Vancouver Team raised over **\$1,760!** A big thank you to everyone who participated!

Miranda and Heather-AIDS Vancouver Team co-captains

Temporary Staffing Changes at AIDS Vancouver

AIDS Vancouver was sad to say good-bye temporarily to our Director of Community Development, Warren O'Briain. Warren has been seconded by the Provincial government for the next 5 months to work on developing a provincial AIDS strategy. We will miss Warren but we are excited by this new opportunity for him and the HIV/AIDS sector in BC.

In Warren's absence, Stephen Smith, our Librarian here at AIDS Vancouver will be the acting director of the Community Development Department. Taking Stephen's place as PARC Librarian is Camille Noel, who started her new 5 month appointment on October 15th. Camille is a Librarian who most recently was employed by BC Rail, but has also been the Librarian at the BC Institute Against Family Violence. In addition, Camille has done volunteer work for YouthCO and World AIDS Group. Please join us in welcoming her to AIDS Vancouver.

Please Join us at AIDS Vancouver Open House



AIDS Vancouver will be hosting its annual Open House this year on Thursday, November 21, from 3:30PM to 5:30PM at the 1107 Seymour Street location. This is a great opportunity for everyone to see the newly reorganized Seymour St. space, catch up with staff and volunteers you haven't seen for a while, and learn something new about the programs and resources that AIDS Vancouver offers. Light refreshments will be served. Mark the date in your calendars and join us if you can!

World AIDS Day



Each year, December 1 is recognized globally as World AIDS Day. The World Health Organization sets a theme for each occurrence of this annual event in order to highlight and consequently raise awareness about a particular issue related to HIV/AIDS. This year's theme is **Live and Let Live** which will focus on eliminating stigma and discrimination related to HIV/AIDS.

Each year there are a number of events here in Vancouver on World AIDS Day. If you are interested in participating in an event, check at our Open House on November 21 for a list of activities.

Up-date on Training for Volunteers at AIDS Vancouver

Since the Training Institute closed its doors, there has been a gap in training for volunteers who have recently joined our agency. Volunteer Resources along with other departments at AIDS Vancouver are currently redeveloping and restructuring a new agency orientation and education program. The sessions will be facilitated over one evening and one full day. The topics will include: An Introduction to AIDS Vancouver and its Philosophies and Frameworks; HIV/AIDS 101 and Related Issues; Harm Reduction; Population Health; Social Determinants of Health and Living Positive.

We anticipate the next training to be hosted in January 2003. At this time, there should be no volunteers who are unable to get involved due to this pause in training. If that is not the case, please contact Parm ASAP at 604-893-2212 or by e-mail at parmp@aidsvancouver.org

In the meantime I encourage all new volunteers to attend our up-coming orientation session on November 5th and visit our agency website or PARC Library for resources and information.

Thanks for your patience and I'll keep you posted!

AIDS Vancouver

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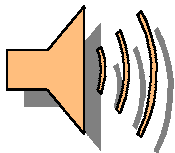
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- ◆ Home/Hospital Visitor

If interested please call our
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893-2266.

Purpose and Policy of the Volunteer Bulletin

Purpose

The Volunteer Bulletin is a medium for the communication of information regarding volunteerism, HIV/AIDS and related issues, volunteer activities and AIDS Vancouver organizational information. It is also a vehicle for the development and appreciation for the volunteer community of AIDS Vancouver.

Editorial Policy

All volunteers are encouraged to submit material, which is appropriate to the above stated purpose of the Volunteer Bulletin. The Editors reserve the right to edit any material submitted.

All persons submitting material for publication are required to sign their submission, thereby accepting responsibility for their views. Names will be withheld by the approval of the Editor. Anonymous submissions will not be accepted.

The opinions expressed in the newsletter are those of the individual authors and not necessarily those of AIDS Vancouver.

When submitting written material please do so as a Word document in standard paragraph formatting. This means:

- no graphic treatments (i.e. reverse bars & grey bars)
- no hard returns in paragraphs
- no text formatting (i.e. centered text)

If you would like to include pictures please send scanned version if possible.

RAINY DAY READINGS AT THE PARC LIBRARY

phone: 893-2294
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BOOKS*Drug and Alcohol Use/Harm Reduction*

Kerr, Thomas. **The Current Status of Care and Support for HIV-positive Injection Drug Users in Vancouver: a Community-report from a National Study of HIV/AIDS Care.** Vancouver: Health Canada/AIDS Vancouver, 2002. C 660 KER 2002

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Living with HIV/AIDS

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Prevention

Pavanel, Jane. **The Sex Book: an Alphabet of Smarter Love.** Montreal: Lobster Press, 2001. I 100 PAV 2001

Treatments

Sande, Merle, David Gilbert, & Robert Moellering. **The Sanford Guide to HIV/AIDS Therapy.** Hyde Park: Antimicrobial Therapy, Inc., 2002. E 210 SAN 2002 *LIBRARY USE ONLY*

Youth

LeVert, Marianne. **AIDS: a Handbook for the Future.** Brookfield: the Millbrook Press, 1996. G 310 LEV 1996

An Inventory of Canadian HIV/AIDS Prevention Programs for Youth. Ottawa: Canadian AIDS Society, 2002. G 300 INV 2002 *LIBRARY USE ONLY*

VIDEOS

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