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Norton Dill Tells a Story About Community at the Annual Fundraising Dinner

If you speak to many United Methodists in the Birmingham area, they probably are at least familiar with the name Norton Dill. Mr. Dill, a man who has family in the Methodist ministry, was the keynote speaker at the 2nd Annual Community of Hope Health Clinic's Fundraising Dinner sponsored by America's First Federal Credit Union.



Norton Dill has filmed documentaries for APT and led the bluegrass group, The Dill Pickers

about the community we currently serve in."

Mr. Dill brought his keyboard with him to sing a song or two to the crowd because that's what he does when he tells stories.

"I've had the pleasure of doing this for a long time," Mr. Dill said. "And I'd like to sing a song for you."

Mr. Dill entertained the crowd by telling the story of his days as a music teacher at Wenonah High School in Birmingham and how a group of talented African-American kids were not able to express their talents through field trips because of the climate of the times.

"I saw Mr. Dill at the Central Alabama Theater in 2017 and knew that his story of how he impacted a community who was underserved," Executive Director Justin Johnston said. "And that was 45 plus years ago. Yet here we are in 2018 and the same can be said



Three New Fellows Set to Begin at CHHC

The Community of Hope Health Clinic benefits every year from having a good working relationship with Andrew's Sports Medicine and their fellowship program. The new cycle begins in September 2018 and will continue through next July.

The three fellows will be

providing 17 months worth of medical services in the next year.

"This year is great because not only do we have a full slate of fellows, something we have not had the past two years," Executive Director Justin Johnston said, "we will have six months where we will have two fellows volunteering their

services. It is a great opportunity for them to get some work at the free clinic and for some of our backlog of patients to get in quicker."

CHHC would like to welcome Drs. Leo Taarea, Monte Ketchum, and Daniel Smith to the CHHC family as we begin another year!



CHHC Fundraising News

Annual Fundraiser

The 2nd Annual Community of Hope Health Clinic's Fundraising Dinner presented by America's First Federal Credit Union was a success once again.

More than 120 people attended the event at the Pelham Civic Center. Norton Dill was able to tell a story relating to the community and was very relatable to what the Community of Hope Health Clinic does every day for its patients.

Coupled with personal donations and the Regions Tradition Birdie for Charity Program, the Community of Hope Health Clinic was able to raise more than \$14,000 from this event!

Central Alabama Theater

Mark your calendars for a wonderful night and Christmas Celebration at the Alys Stephens Center on the campus of UAB.

The Community of Hope Health Clinic is once again

pairing up with the Central Alabama Theater on December 12, 2018! This soon to be Christmas classic is a musical holiday journey that celebrates the American traditional Christmas in the style of Radio City, and will travel the globe to teach us all about Christmas celebrations around the World! Not only that, country music star, Ty Herndon is part of this show!!

Tickets will be \$30, but this will be a show you do not want to miss! Once a title sponsor for this special CHHC night is secured, 100% of all ticket sales will go to the clinic!

Each Year, the Community of Hope spends thousands of dollars on office and medical supplies. If your company would like to donate one of these items, please let CHHC know.

CHHC WISHLIST

Office products including: **Copy paper, Manila folders, Notepads (all sizes), Pens, binders**

Durable Medical Equipment: **Diabetic testing supplies,**

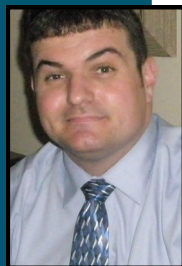
Diabetic shoes/ socks/hose, crutches, walkers, wheelchairs, braces

Other Medical Equipment: **Specimen cups, Patient Drapes,**

disposable otoscope covers, tongue suppressors, gauze, bandages, medical tape, alcohol swabs, baby wipes, hand sanitizer.

From the Executive Director

Justin R. Johnston,
Executive
Director



Greetings from the Community of Hope Health Clinic!

As school starts back and the leaves begin to change, there is also a lot going on with the Community of Hope Health Clinic.

Nurses on a mission, new providers, a new cycle of Fellows from Andrew's Sports plus welcoming back a familiar face will add to the clinic as we continue to strive to be the best clinic in our area.

If you know of anyone who would like to volunteer, they can always contact me and we will find a way to fit them in to our program.

*"All the money in the world can't buy you back good health."
-Reba McEntire*

Students in the Spotlight



Amy Hudson
2nd Year
Medical Student
at UAB and
Schweitzer
Fellowship
Recipient



Nicole
Lassiter
2nd Year
Medical
Student at
UAB and
Schweitzer
Fellowship
Recipient



Broderick
Sullivan
Undergraduate
at the
University of
Montevallo and
Falcon Scholar

The Community of Hope Health Clinic's staff continues to grow! For the 2018-19 school year, three students will be working with the clinic through two different fellowships.

Amy Hudson and Nicole Lassiter are both second-year medical students in the UAB School of Medicine. Through the

Albert Schweitzer Fellowship, these two were selected to develop and implement a diabetes education class in both English and Spanish which will begin meeting in September.

Broderick was selected as a Falcon Scholar and will be working with the clinic by shadowing, working with

medical records requests, and patient assistance.

If you see any of them at the clinic, please feel free to introduce yourself to them.

For information related to the class, you can contact Amy or Nicole at chhchealtheducation@gmail.com.

CHHC Calendar

Clinic Holidays (Closed)

September 3-Labor Day

October 8-Columbus Day

Upcoming Events

September 10-Health Education Class

September 11-Shelby Co. Roundtable

September 13-HAP Meeting at UWCA

Thursday Meals Open

September: 20, 27

October: 11, 18, 25

November: 15, 29

December: 13

Community Events

Calendar

CHHC Staff

Justin R. Johnston
Executive Director

Mandy Maldonado
Clinic Coordinator

Jocelyn Walker
Clinic Coordinator

Karen Stough
Office Manager

Dr. John P. McGuinness, MD
Staff Physician

Amy Hudson and Nicole Lassiter
Schweitzer Fellows

Broderick Sullivan
Falcon Scholar

New Emails for the Staff of CHHC

In June, the Community of Hope Health Clinic Staff, in an effort to make things a little more professional, changed over from a generic @gmail.com to the more formal @communityofhopeclinic.com.

"I just felt that as an organization that is professional,

we needed to be more professional electronically," Executive Director Justin Johnston said. "But the good thing is that even if you still send an email to our old email addresses, we will still be able to access that email from our new address."

The list of emails is below:

- justin@communityofhopeclinic.com
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free, quality healthcare.**

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Clinic is a Volunteers in Medicine
health clinic for uninsured residents
of Shelby County, Alabama.
The Community of Hope Health
Clinic (CHHC) is a medical mission
that provides non-emergent medical
care to Shelby County adults ages
19 – 64 and have no health
insurance and whose household
income is at or below 200% of the
poverty level.**



Health Education is Coming to CHHC!

Beginning Monday, September 10, the Community of Hope Health Clinic will begin Health Education Classes once per month.

The classes will last approximately 2 hours and will include follow-up classes along with individual face-to-face and telephonic interviews.

"I approached and had great conversations with Kristin Boggs at UAB who is the director of the Albert Schweitzer Fellowship in Ala-

bama," Justin Johnston said. "And with our patients having so many diagnoses of diabetes, hypertension, and high cholesterol, we both believed this could be a possible project for the Albert Schweitzer Fellowship."

CHHC is one of ten organizations in Alabama to have fellows and one of only a handful to have more than one on site.

"We want our patients to take an

active role in their own health," Johnston continued. "We want them to eat healthy, exercise, and help others who may not know how to take care of their conditions."

Classes will be in both English and Spanish and be offered from 5 p.m.-7 p.m. and 7 p.m.-9 p.m.

For more information, contact Amy or Nicole at chhchealtheducation@gmail.com.

Have an idea for the newsletter?

Email Justin at Justin@communityofhopeclinic.com