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America's First Federal Credit Union presents

The Inaugural Community of Hope Health Clinic Fundraising Dinner

America's First Federal Credit Union is the primary sponsor for the Inaugural Community of Hope Health Clinic Fundraising Dinner on Tuesday, May 9 from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Pelham Civic Center.

For the past few months, the staff at the Community of Hope have worked tirelessly to change the way the fundraiser functions for the clinic.

"Only around 15% of our annual budget is attributed to the fundraiser," Justin Johnston, Executive Director for CHHC said. "To me, that's just not acceptable. We have to get the right people

to our fundraiser and make it



America's First is the primary sponsor for CHHC's Fundraising Dinner

more convenient for them."

Another point of emphasis was getting a primary sponsor for the event. Johnston said that the success of the clinic and its fundraiser could be dependent on getting a primary sponsor.

"In the past, CHHC has paid for all of the costs of the fundraiser from paying for the building to security to the food," Johnston remarked. "By securing America's First Federal Credit Union as our primary sponsor means that every penny donated to CHHC that night goes to CHHC."

One of the other draws to the clinic is former Alabama, NFL and CFL football player, Thomas Rayam. Rayam is a Shelby County Resident and advocate for those in need in the area. He also works the area for Southern Care Hospice.

The Central Alabama Theater and CHHC Team Together

For those who are both fans of the Community of Hope Health Clinic and local theater, CHHC is proud to announce that the Central Alabama Theater will have a charity night for the Community of Hope.

Sponsored by the law firm of Butler and Snow, the Summer production of The Bikinis will benefit CHHC on Wednesday, July 26.

The time of the event is TBD and will be announced at a later time through social media. For those interested in attending, the cost per ticket will be \$50 and all proceeds will go toward the Community of Hope. There will also be a limited number of prime seats which will also include wine, cheese, and a meet and

greet prior to the performance.

This family-friendly event is limited to about 120 tickets, so get yours before they sell out!

Turn to page four for more information on the show as well as the Central Alabama Theater!

CHHC Finishes 2nd in Social Media Contest

For Birdies for Charity



The Community of Hope Health Clinic would like to thank everyone who helped out during the Regions Tradition Birdies for Charity Social Media Contest.

CHHC finished in 2nd place out of 74 charities on a point system that allowed CHHC Executive Director Justin Johnston the opportunity to select prime location and timeslot for the Expo tent at the 2017 Regions Tradition.

Along with volunteer nurse Janis Spencer, Justin will be accompanied by a member of the Central Alabama Theater in the Expo tent on Wednesday, May 17 from 7:30-10 a.m. This time slot is during the ProAm for the tournament.



"I wanted to make sure that we could let as many local people know about the Community of Hope as possible," Johnston said. "With ProAms, you typically have a lot of local celebrities who take part and that means that a lot of local people will come out to see them. I've been informed that tee times for Coaches Saban. Malzahn, Clark and Pearl will all be that morning, which I hope will be very beneficial to us."

A Scene from the
Quality of Life Day for
the 2017 Class of
Leadership Shelby held
at the Hargis Retreat
on April 11. In addition
to many community
leaders being there, a
good amount of
cooperating
organizations were as
well.

CHHC in the Community



From the Daytime Coordinator

Maria Alejandra Duran, Daytime Clinic Coordinator



A year ago when I began working at Community of Hope Health Clinic, it was challenging for me because even though I had 17 years of experience working with the community in Birmingham, I never had the opportunity to work directly in the medical field.

It is really beautiful and satisfying to see how professional doctors, nurse practitioners, nurses, and interpreters take their personal time to help people in need with love, patience, and professionalism. They are dedicated to each patient and each patient has their life story and here at the clinic we value the trust they place in us.

When the patient comes to

CHHC, they no only receive medical help, but they also receive the hope that God will heal and care for their body, heart and soul.

I want to thank the beautiful team at CHHC, the staff and volunteers, who with their love and patience have taught me to navigate in this new world. This has been a very busy year and I am very happy to belong to this great team!

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Volunteer Spotlight



Mark Wilson, MD is a Thursday night provider who has been donating services for years at сннс

Dr. Mark Wilson is a Thursday evening provider who frequents the clinic as many as three times per month. A great physician, Dr. Wilson also brings a group of his collaborating Nurse

Practitioners to see patients as well.

Formerly an internist and Chief of Staff at Cooper Green Mercy Hospital, Dr. Wilson is now the Chief Executive Officer of the lefferson County Health Department.

The Community of Hope Health Clinic is honored to have Dr. Wilson as a volunteer provider.



Staniszewski, DC is the Director of Imaging at the Shelby Hospital and a long-time Member of the **Board of Directors**

Dr. Susan Staniszewski has served on the Board of Directors as both a Member-at-Large and Officer. She currently serves as the Secretary for the Clinic after serving as Vice Chair (2015) and

Chair (2016).

In addition to serving on the Board of Directors she is also the liaison for the Clinic Coordinators and the Shelby Hospital, allowing for access to the hospital when inside help is needed.

Once again, the Community of Hope Health Clinic is honored to have her as a volunteer.

CHHC Staff

Justin R. Johnston **Executive Director**

Mandy Maldonado Clinic Coordinator

Maria Alejandra Duran Clinic Coordinator

> Karen Stough Office Manager

CHHC Calendar

Clinic Holidays (Closed)

May 29

June 5

Clinic Open-Wednesday

May 31

June 7

Upcoming Events

May 9 CHHC Fundraiser

May 17-21 Regions Tradition July 26 The Bikinis

Thursday Meals Open

June 15, 22

July 20

August 17, 24

September 14, 21

October 12. 19

November 6

Community Events

Calendar

Shelby Co. Roundtable May 9 SCDFC Meeting May 17 CPC Meeting June 21

RSVP Senior Picnic May 24

Thursday Evening Volunteers Needed!

Hello,

Over the past few months, we have seen the number of volunteers at CHHC decline which can make it difficult to run the clinic efficiently. While Mandy, Maria Alejandra, and Karen are available when they are needed, it diverts them from being able to prepare for other important tasks within CHHC's operations.

If you are a present or past volunteer, I would like to ask that you consider either volunteering more or coming back to help us whether it be with triage, interpretation, scheduling, filing, scanning or some other task that we may need a volunteer to do.

We all understand the volunteers place at CHHC. If not for you all, we would not be able to function as a clinic and not be able to see as many patients as we do. So not only are we thankful for your service, they are as well.

> Andretta Willis triages a patient during a Monday

morning clinic in April 2017



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Helping those less fortunate obtain free, quality healthcare.

The Community of Hope Health
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.



More about the Central Alabama Theater

Central Alabama Theater (CAT) is a private, non-profit organization whose purpose is to enrich, educate and entertain Central Alabama by providing a superior entertainment experience through the production and presentation of quality professional theater. CAT will educate the stars of tomorrow through artistic workshops; create an outlet for new works; encourage creative community involvement; and present quality concert entertainment.





The Central Alabama Theater is located in Mountain Brook in the Crestline Village Neighborhood. In addition to the fundraiser for the Community of Hope Health Clinic, CAT puts on numerous shows through the year.

Central Alabama Theater
36 Church Street
Mountain Brook, AL
http://www.centralalabamatheater.org/



More on "The Bikinis"

Back together again! The sixties girl group that everyone loves is bringing back the sun, fun and all the great songs they sang on the boardwalk at the Jersey Shore...all to raise money to save Sandy Shores Mobile Home Beach Resort. These Jersey Girls relive their heyday in a non-stop celebration of song with over 30 hits like "It's In His Kiss," "Yellow Polka Dot Bikini," "Heat Wave," and "Ain't No Mountain High Enough." The Bikinis are irresistible!