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Arab American and Chaldean Council (ACC)

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Greetings!

In The News:

ACC's Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) program was recently featured in the Arab American News. To read the article please click the following link.

[ACC program tackles mental health](#)

Promoting Healthy Youth

On February 18th ACC's Teen Health Project provided approximately 100 health screenings to 4th and 5th graders at Riverside Academy East in Dearborn. The services included an eye screening, hearing screening, BMI test, and referrals. ACC would like to thank Riverside Academy for being our partner in "Making a Difference"

The Teen Health Project helps children and adolescents reach their optimum potential of growing into healthy and responsible adolescents and young adults by improving their health status through health promotion and disease prevention interventions. Services include health education, health promotion, disease prevention, health and wellness maintenance, and referrals to existing city, county, hospitals and Federally Qualified Health Centers for urgent medical care. This program targets high risk and vulnerable youth residing in Wayne County.

Improving Customer Relations

In an effort to continuously improve customer service staff members from ACC's DHS Division attended the seminar "How to Deal with Difficult People" on February 27, 2009 in Troy, MI. The day long seminar provided participants with the necessary strategies to deal with difficult people in the workplace and in life. Strategies included tools to getting adversaries to cooperate, bullies to back off, wallflowers to open up, and chronic complainers to quiet down.

As a result ACC staff members will be able to approach their clients and job with more enjoyment and confidence. Additionally, cooperation, collaboration and compromise will improve tremendously making the workplace more productive and efficient.

As the only health and human service agency housed in the Department of Human Services (DHS), ACC's Department of Human Service Division is located through out [13 offices](#).

State Legislators Tour ACC



On Friday, March 6th State Senators Bill Hardiman and Martha Scott toured ACC's Seven Mile facilities and interacted with sites programs and clients. During their visit ACC administrators provided a detailed description of program functions and goals.

ACC's Seven Mile area provides a full range of services including behavioral and public health, youth programs, employment and training, and department of human services.

ACC would like to thank Senator Hardiman and Senator Scott for taking the time out of their busy schedules to meet with us and learn more about our mission.

ACC Host Community Health Fairs



Spring into Health

Thursday, March 19th, 9am - 4pm

ACC Youth Center

62 W. Seven Mile Road, Detroit 48203

In collaboration with the Detroit Department of Health and Wellness Promotion (DHWP) Mobile Care Program and the Wayne County Fire Department, ACC is hosting a FREE on-site health and HIV screenings to Wayne County residents. The DHWP Mobile Care Unit will have an on-board laboratory and examination room for privacy. Trained outreach

professionals will provide:

- HIV testing and counseling
- Blood pressure, blood sugar, weight & cholesterol checks
- Hepatitis C testing

Healthy Steps Make Healthy Communities

The Arab American and Chaldean Council and St. Mark Coptic Church invite you to attend a community health fair on **Saturday, March 21 from 11am - 3pm**. The purpose of this event is to educate and enhance the health of the community by offering the following services:

- Health screenings - hearing, vision, blood pressure, height, and weight
- Blood Tests - cholesterol, sugar, etc.
- Bone Density (ankle T score)
- Free Nicotine Patches
- Health material in both Arabic and English
- Consultation and general medical and mental health referrals
- Materials on Medicaid and other federal and immigration assistance

For registration and additional information contact Marcelle Isaac at (248) 250-9090.



Free Nicotine Patch Giveaway

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ACC is pleased to announce the launching of its Free Nicotine Patch Giveaway for low income clients that are interested in quitting smoking. This service is available throughout ACC outreach offices.

If you are interested in receiving free patches or obtaining further information please call (313) 369- 4740



SAVE THE DATE



**7TH ANNUAL
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JULY 15, 2009**



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**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND SPONSORSHIP
OPPORTUNITIES CONTACT ACC AT (248) 559-1990.**

ACC invites you to join us as a guest and sponsor at its 7th Annual Golf Outing & Scholarship Awards Dinner on Wednesday, July 15, 2009 at Shenandoah Country Club in West Bloomfield, MI. Proceeds from this event will provide scholarships to graduating high school seniors.

For additional information please call (248) 559-1990.



Adult Medical Program (AMP)

The Adult Medical Program (AMP) provides basic medical care to low income adults who do not qualify for Medicaid. DHS, including ACC-DHS locations, is currently accepting applications.

Eligibility criteria:

1. 22-64 years of age
2. US Citizen, Refugees section (207), Asylums section (208)
3. Permanent Resident (US entry before 8-22-1996)
4. Permanent Resident (US entry after 8-22-1996).
 - a) First 5 years eligible for emergency only
 - b) More than 5 year eligible for AMP
5. Income test and assets test is required for this program.

For questions and additional information contact your [local DHS office](#).

Ann Arbor Palestine Film Festival

On March 11, 2009 at 8pm, the Ann Arbor Palestine Film Festival will make its debut at the world renowned Michigan Theatre in Ann Arbor, Michigan. As one of the few Palestine film festivals to take place in the Midwest, the Ann Arbor Palestine Film Festival will surely bring attention to the growing number of films made about and by Palestinians.

The festival brings you an array of comedy, drama, fiction, non-fiction, features, shorts, and experimental films, which all showcase the diversity and strength of Palestinian cinema. The breadth of the stories and the emotions expressed in these films know no bounds.

The Ann Arbor Palestine Film Festival debuts on March 11, 2009 at 8pm and runs until March 14, 2009. For more information on film schedules and tickets, please visit: www.a2palestinefilmfest.org.

Aswat - A Celebration of the Golden Age of Arab Music

With a traditional, 12 -piece Arab orchestra and special guest vocalists, Simon Shaheen directs an evening of classic, unforgettable melodies, soul stirring voices and lush orchestral arrangements, authentically recreating and interpreting the sights and sounds of this magical time.

Thursday, March 12, 8pm
Hill Auditorium
825 N. University Ave., Ann Arbor

For tickets and additional information contact [University Musical Society](http://www.umich.edu/~musical) at 734.764.2538.

Spring Networking Event & Business Mixer

The Lebanese American Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce its networking event will be held:

Thursday, March 12, 2009
6:00pm - 9:00pm
The Townsend Hotel Ballroom
100 Townsend Street, Birmingham
For more information call 248-320- 7300

2nd Annual Wine Tasting

The Basilica of St. Mary's Orthodox Church cordially invite you to attend their 2nd Annual Tasting Event featuring great wines from around the world and the fine taste of single malt scotch.

Saturday, March 21, 2009
Tasting: 6pm - 9pm
Afterglow: 9pm - 12am
St. Mary's Cultural Center
18100 Merriman Rd., Livonia
Appetizers served from 6pm - 11pm

\$50 Donation per person.
Proceeds to benefit the St. Mary's Outreach Program

RSVP by March 13th by contacting:
Dolly Matta at (248) 444-1200 or dollymatta@sbcglobal.net
Dina Kakish at (734) 560-3076 or kakishd@umich.edu

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