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Case Management News & Notes

As the leaves change and we go from one season to the next, so does Life Care Services at AIDS Network change.

We were sad to see Allison Plummer leave us. She left us to go for higher education and receive her MSW from the UW-Madison. We wish her well, but she will be missed by clients and AIDS Network staff alike.

Please welcome our new Case Manager Stephanie Adams to our team. She has been with us several months now and has taken on Allison's caseload. She is a recent graduate from the UW School of Social Work. If you see her in the office, please welcome her. She comes with a great helping spirit and is fitting right in. We also have a new intern with our team, Kelsey Gross. She will be with us all school year for 14 hours a week. Her supervisor is Michele Goolsbey. Kelsey is getting her MSW at UW and is currently helping us with client services and with the Holiday Gift Drive.

The Felicia Melton-Smyth Holiday Gift Drive will be as great as ever. We have a team of people working to make it successful. We continue to partner with the Shamrock Bar (which always does an awesome job helping us!) and to utilize the Giving Tree at East Towne and West Towne malls. If you want to make a request for a holiday gift, please call your Case Manager or call Wes at ext. 10 as soon as possible.

We raised Supplementary Dental to \$3,000. This means that an eligible client can receive dental assistance for up to \$3,000 in their lifetime. The challenge is that, in order to comply with state and federal guidelines, all dental services must be reimbursed at the Medicaid rate. This means that we are currently referring clients only to providers willing to accept this rate, including Max Pohle Dental Clinic, Access Community Health Centers, Beloit Community Health Center and ARCW. Please talk to your case manager before any work is started that will be paid by AIDS Network.

Focus Groups are coming!!!

Our Executive Director has been working with an outside agency to organize focus groups. This ensures that all comments shared at focus groups will remain confidential, but will be accurately reported to staff. These groups will be occurring soon and not only in Madison, so call Kari Dixon at ext. 33 if you would like to participate. **Gift cards will be available for those who participate.** We would love to hear from you.

AIDS Network joined the Overture Center Community Ticket Program. Throughout the year, we will receive ticket vouchers for clients. With a voucher, it costs \$3 to see a show. Currently we have tickets for "Letters Home" on Tuesday, November 11th and "Kanopy Dance - Autumn Heart" on Sunday, November 23rd. Please call your Case Manager if you are interested in these tickets, or want to be notified when more tickets come in. For more information on upcoming shows, see www.overturecenter.com.

Acupuncture was restarted in 2008 and has been well-utilized and is quite successful. We are planning to continue this in 2009, so call your Case Manager if you are interested.

Our seasoned Case Managers all received their HIV Case Manager Certification from the WI State AIDS/HIV office. Case managers with less than 2 years experience are working on getting their certification.

We have a new writing group for consumers that meets twice a month. It is facilitated by a UW graduate student of English and coordinated by case manager Michele Goolsbey. The group will go through December. Please call if you have questions or are interested.

A final note, we can still help clients purchase some HIV-related medications. Talk to your Case Manager if there is a medication you need that you cannot afford.

From the whole case management team, Happy Holidays!!

-Beth Clemitus

Emergency Fund



Clients in need of food or basic necessities may be eligible to receive Walmart gift cards of \$25-\$50, depending on family size. To be eligible, household income must not exceed 300% of the federal poverty level. Funding for this new program comes from Primary Care Support Network and from private donations. Contact your case manager to request this emergency assistance.

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Your Rights as an Energy Consumer

How to protect your household from getting heating utilities shut-off and how to get help

As the weather turns cool, you may wonder how you will pay for the rising costs of heating. This winter heating bills will increase even more due to an increase in fuel use. Here are some tips to help you this winter.

Help with Heating Costs

The following programs all have different eligibility requirements. Undocumented persons are eligible for Energy Assistance, though they may ask for a social security number for tracking purposes. Call AIDS Network if you encounter any problems.

Energy Assistance and Weatherization: Every county offers energy assistance and weatherization. Energy Assistance is available to help pay for heating and electric costs. If you qualify for assistance, Energy Assistance will send a check directly to your Utility Company. Eligibility is based on income and family size. You don't have to be behind on your payments or be in an emergency crisis.

Weatherization services such as insulation, sealing air leaks, providing heating-system updates and energy-savings products are free for eligible homeowners and renters.

For information on local energy assistance offices, call (866) 432-8947 or visit

www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov.

In Dane County, call (608) 267-8601.

CITGO Heating Oil Program helps low income families to pay their heating oil bills. (877) 563-4645 or

www.citizensenergy.com

Focus on Energy is a state program that can reduce the cost of having a *home energy evaluation* to identify energy efficient practices that can lower utility bills. You may also be eligible for *Cash-Back Rewards* if the recommended changes are made. Low-income consumers with higher

than average utility bills may be eligible. To obtain *Focus on Energy* home energy audits call 1-800-762-7077 or visit focusonenergy.com.

Keep Wisconsin Warm Fund helps people who are at or above Energy Assistance income eligibility levels. (800) 891-9276 or www.kwwf.org.

Your Right to Heat: Winter Moratorium Nov 1 – April 15

Under Wisconsin law, you cannot be disconnected from service from November 1 to April 15 if you are connected to service at the start of the moratorium. This means that many companies may try to disconnect consumers during the month of October, so it is important that you take the necessary steps to keep your service on until the moratorium starts November 1st.

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How to Keep Your Service On

Payment Agreements: If you are currently disconnected or at risk of being disconnected from service, you must make arrangements with your local utility company to pay outstanding bills. If you have not made arrangements to pay, the utility is not required by law to provide heat until a reasonable payment agreement has been reached. If you need to establish a payment agreement, call your local utility or call the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin to get help in negotiating that agreement.

Set up a Budget: When you set up a payment plan with the utility, it is important to promise to pay a realistic amount of money each month. Keep in mind that you have to continue to pay your current utility bill as well as your past utility debt. Make a monthly budget that you can stick to!

“WorryProof Billing”: You can set up payments with the utility company so that you pay the same amount each month, regardless of your usage. The company predicts your total usage for the year based on last year's usage, and breaks it up into twelve equal monthly increments. MG&E calls this a Budget Payment Plan. Alliant Energy has WorryProof Billing.

Terms of payment agreements: When determining whether a payment plan is reasonable, the companies must consider your ability to

pay the amount of money owed, your payment history, the amount of time your debt has been outstanding and the reasons why it has been outstanding. The company can require a written agreement with your signature.

Keep in mind that if you are not satisfied with the agreement, you do not have to sign it and you can suggest changes. You are entitled to ask the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin for help. If you make an agreement, the company cannot charge you a late fee.

When Can a Utility Company Shut Off Service?

When you break the payment agreement: If you have not made the agreed-upon payments and your ability to pay the agreed sum has not changed, the company no longer has the obligation to negotiate another payment agreement and can disconnect service.

Written Notices: Keep in mind that the utility company must notify you within 10 days that it will disconnect your service. If within 20 days of that notice it has not done so, they must give you at least 24 hours

Your Rights as an Energy Consumer (continued)

notice, and then after that notice, they only have 48 hours to turn service off.

When is a utility company REQUIRED to keep service on?

Medical Emergency: The utility must delay disconnection for up to 21 days if there is a medical emergency, such as medications that require refrigeration, in the home. During this delay, you must work with the utility to make payment arrangements in order to continue the service on a permanent basis. You must continue to pay for the continued utility service.

Proving a Medical Emergency: You may need to furnish a letter regarding the medical emergency from your doctor to verify your medical emergency. The letter should contain your address, account number and name of the person whose name is on the bill for the household. The account-holder does not need to be the person with the medical ailment. You can call the Public Service Commission if the utility company does not accept your medical emergency letter.

Heat Advisory/Warning/Emergencies: The utility company cannot disconnect service if there is a heat advisory, warning or emergency issued by the national weather service. Additionally the company must make reasonable attempts to reconnect service if there is a medical emergency when the advisory/warning/emergency is in place.

Extenuating Circumstances: If the company is informed that there are extenuating circumstances, like infirmities associated with aging, developmental, mental or physical disabilities (HIV qualifies as a disability), life support systems or infirmities incurred at any age, or you have very young children or infants in your home, the utility must take these factors into consideration before disconnecting service.

For any concerns, questions or help with service interruptions, contact the Public Service Commission (800) 225-7729.

Save Energy, Money and the Environment

There are many ways that you can make small changes to save and increase the efficiency of your energy usage.

- Open window coverings such as drapes, shades and blinds to use the natural sunlight to heat your home or office, especially on the west and south. Close drapes and shades in the evening to prevent the heat from escaping.
- Close storm windows.
- Use plastic window coverings to reduce drafts through the window seals.
- Caulk and seal leaky window and door frames.
- Use compact fluorescent light bulbs. (They are 75% more efficient and last up to seven years.) You may

get up to \$2.00 rebates from your electric company.

Set the thermostat to a lower temperature when you are away from home or asleep and warmer just before you return.

- Check that no objects are blocking the heating vents, preventing heat flow.
- Clean or replace filters on furnaces and air conditioners frequently.
- Close the damper in fireplaces when not in use.
- Close the doors and shut off registers in rooms not being used.



FREE Nutrition Counseling



I would like to invite you to take advantage of a wonderful opportunity: a personalized nutrition check up. Just as you would see a doctor to manage your medical needs, everyone should see a registered dietitian routinely for help managing nutritional needs.

As your registered dietitian I will show you how to use nutrition to increase your energy, ward off side effects, enhance your immune system and maintain your desired weight. Nutrition is a vital element of health and I am dedicated to helping you optimize your dietary intake. Let me show you what optimal nutrition can do for you!

-Sarah Mattison, RD

To learn more or schedule an appointment, contact your case manager or Jody at 252-6540 x31.

Making the Most of Your Medical Care

Jody Epstein, Treatment Support Services Coordinator

Frequent lab tests, complex treatments, new scientific discoveries and the emotional burdens of living with HIV can all make medical care for people with HIV very complicated. Building a strong relationship with your doctor and learning about your treatment can make a big difference in your health. Below are some tips on how to make the most of your HIV medical care.

Talking to Your Doctor

- Prepare for appointments by writing down questions, in order of importance.
- Show your list of questions to your doctor at the beginning of the visit, so he/she knows what to cover. If you wait until the end of the visit to ask, there may not be enough time.
- Write down the answers, in case you have trouble remembering later.
- When recommendations are made for a particular therapy, ask for clear explanations of why it's being recommended, exactly what it will entail, and what any possible side effects might be. This way you can make an informed choice about whether this treatment is right for you.
- If it is hard for you to absorb everything that happens at a visit, consider bringing along a family member, partner or friend. During the visit, your companion can remind you of issues you wanted to discuss or can help you clarify confusing issues. After the visit, he or she can help you remember and review everything that came up.

Building a strong relationship with your doctor can make a big difference in your health.

- Be honest about side effects, missed medications or difficulty sticking to your treatment, complementary therapies, sex and any drugs and drinking. This information will help your doctor provide the best care for your unique situation. If your provider is too judgmental or intimidating, talk about this with him or her or find a new provider.
- If you do not get a satisfactory answer to your questions, ask your doctor where you can get more information or for a referral to a specialist.

Keeping Records

- Keep a file of your paperwork, such as appointment summaries, bills and handouts. (You may need it later!)
- Keep a list of the medications you take and review them with your doctor at each visit.
- Keep a record, for your files, of medications you've taken before and why you stopped taking them. Highlight the names of meds you stopped because of allergic reactions. If you ever change medications, this will help you avoid taking ones that don't work for you.
- Bring an easy-to-use chart or graph of your important results (CD4 cell count, viral load, weight, and menstrual cycle history) with you to your appointment and fill in new information.

This will help you appreciate how your health is changing over time.



- Keep a journal of side effects, mood changes, and symptoms. Next to these things, note down any medications you took and any unusual activities or food. This information will help

you and your doctor make lifestyle and medication decisions that help you feel your best.

Learning About HIV

There are many resources available to help you learn more about HIV and how to treat it. Understanding HIV can help you participate more actively in treatment decisions. But be patient with yourself – there is a lot to learn and the field is always changing. And remember, you are an expert in your own unique experience.

Websites:

- www.thebody.com
- www.AIDSInfoNet.org
- www.aidsmeds.com
- www.kff.org/hiv/aids

Magazines:

Positively Aware, POZ & HIV Plus (all available at AIDS Network)

Treatment educators:

- Jody Epstein at AIDS Network
- Heidi Nass at the UW HIV/AIDS Comprehensive Care Program

Treatment Support Services is here to help you learn about HIV and find ways to succeed with your treatment. Call 252-6540 x31 to find out more.

Prevention Case Management (PCM) with Marco Torrez

And he's baaack! Marco Torrez is back at AIDS Network in a new position. Marco is our new Prevention Case Manager providing prevention services to those who are HIV+ and their HIV- sexual and/or needle-sharing partner(s).

Prevention Case Management (PCM) is a service provided by AIDS Network where you and a Prevention Case Manager work towards developing

risk-reduction strategies. PCM is a completely voluntary program where you assess what areas of your life may put you at risk for acquiring or transmitting HIV or other sexually transmitted infections. Marco will work with you to develop goals to be maintained over

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time that can reduce your risk. In addition to developing risk-reduction goals, Marco can also refer you to medical and/or other services that play a part in maintaining the goals you have set. Marco will help provide any information you may need to help keep you and your loved ones healthy.

Your privacy is VERY important in this program, therefore only information you give

permission for Marco to share will be shared with your Case Manager. As always, your file is a document protected by both state and federal laws so no one will be told that you are a client of AIDS Network without your written permission.

Marco previously worked at AIDS Network as the Bilingual Case Manager. Before his time at the Network, Marco worked for another community service organization providing case management services in Dane Co. Marco returns to us from the University of Wisconsin Hospital & Clinics where he worked closely with the Social Workers. Currently Marco is pursuing his Masters in Social Work at the University of Wisconsin, concentrating in Mental Health counseling. Marco is very excited to be back and is looking forward to getting back to working closely with clients.

Need additional information? Contact your Case Manager for a referral or call Marco directly at (608) 252-6540 x32.

Administración de Casos de Prevención (ACP) con Marco Torrez

...y volvió! Marco Torrez volvió a AIDS Network en una nueva posición. Marco es nuestro nuevo administrador de casos de prevención proporcionando servicios de prevención a personas viviendo con VIH y sus seres queridos.

ACP es un servicio proveído por AIDS Network donde usted y un administrador de casos de prevención trabajan juntos en formar una estrategia de reducir sus riesgos para mantener su salud. ACP es un programa completamente voluntario donde usted evalúa que áreas de su vida le pueden poner en riesgo para adquirir o transmitir VIH u otras infecciones transmitidas sexualmente. Marco trabajara con usted a desarrollar objetivos para ser mantenidos a largo plazo que puedan reducir su riesgo. Además

de desarrollar objetivos para reducir su riesgo, Marco le puede referir a servicios médicos u otros servicios que ayuden a mantener los objetivos que usted ha puesto. Marco le ayudara en proporcionar cualquier información que usted necesita para ayudar a mantener a usted y a sus seres queridos saludables. Su privacidad es MUY importante para nosotros. Por esta razón, su caso es un documento confidencial, protegido por ambas leyes del estado y leyes federales. Nadie será informado que usted es un cliente de AIDS Network sin su permiso escrito.

¿No le conoce a Marco? Anteriormente Marco trabajo en AIDS Network en el puesto de Administrador de Casos Bilingüe. Antecedentemente de su tiempo en AIDS Net-

work Marco trabajo por una agencia comunitaria proporcionando servicios de administración de casos en el condado de Dane. Más recientemente, Marco vuelve a nosotros del Hospital de la Universidad de Wisconsin donde Marco trabajó proporcionando apoyo de computación a los trabajadores sociales del hospital. Actualmente Marco esta matriculado en la Universidad de Wisconsin persiguiendo su Masterado en Trabajo Social, concentrándose en el aconsejo de salud mental. Marco esta muy emocionado en regresar al AIDS Network y espera trabajar con usted.

¿Necesita información adicional? Contacte a su administrador de casos para una referencia o pregunte directamente a Marco llamándole al (608) 252-6540 ext. 32.

Holiday Resources Throughout Wisconsin

Compiled by Kelsey Gross, Case Management Intern



As the winter holidays near, case management staff would like to alert clients to holiday resources in counties throughout our service-area. You can also keep an eye on your local newspaper for more resources.

The list begins with our most populous counties, Dane and Rock, and is then organized alphabetically by county.

DANE

Call 2-1-1 United Way directory assistance for a variety of services for residents of Dane County (cell phones call 246-4357)

Thanksgiving Meals in Dane County

Please call 2-1-1 United Way directory assistance ten days prior to Thanksgiving for the latest update on times and locations of Thanksgiving meals at churches throughout the county.

Salvation Army

Call (608) 250-2228 for Food Pantry assistance.

First United Methodist Church

Will be serving Thanksgiving and Christmas meals located at 203 Wisconsin Ave, Madison. Please call church office at (608) 256-9061 for more information.

Energy Assistance

Call (608) 267-8601 for energy assistance this holiday season.

ROCK

Salvation Army

There will be a Thanksgiving meal Thursday November 27, 2007 at 12pm at 514 Sutherland Avenue in Janesville. All are welcome.

Edgerton Community Outreach

There will community meals available for Thanksgiving (11/27) and Christmas Eve day (12/24) from 11:30am -1:00pm at St. John's Lutheran Church 207 East High Street in Edgerton. All are welcome. They may be able to deliver holiday meals to those who need it. For delivery, please call ahead (608) 884-9593.

ADAMS

Adams County Human Services

108 E. North St., Friendship, WI. Call for information (608) 339-4505.

Emanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church

There will be a Thanksgiving meal Thursday November 27, 2005 from 12pm – 2pm at 243 N. Linden Street in Adams. Carry outs available too. All are welcome. Please call (608) 339-6102 for more specifics (Monday through Friday 8:30am- 1pm).

Salvation Army

Possible Community Christmas dinner on Christmas Day at 12pm in Community Center. Please call (608) 339-4251 for more information.

COLUMBIA

United Methodist Church

Thanksgiving meal offered on 11/27 from 12-2pm at 205 E. 4th St. in Neillsville. Carry-outs also available. Reservations are asked but not necessary. Please call (715) 743-2556 for more information.

Wisconsin Dells St. Vincent de Paul

There will be a Thanksgiving meal offered on November 27th. All are welcome. Please call (608) 254-

4011 after October 21st for more information.

Portage Presbyterian Church

There is a Harvest Dinner offered on November 8 from 4:30-7pm at 120 West Pleasant Street in Portage. The cost is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children. Possible Christmas Day Dinner, please call (608) 742-6006 for more details. All are welcome.

Family Resource Center

Gift and Food Giving offered through Columbia County Health and Human Services. Deadline to return form by is December 5. Sign up sheets available. Call (608)742-8482 for more information.

DODGE

St Vincent de Paul

Please call (920) 885-6971 for details and more information after November 1st.

GRANT

First Call for Help

Call 1-800-362-8255 for food pantries and holiday resource programs in your area. Call 211 for the Great Rivers area.

Lancaster Salvation Army

Christmas assistance offered through the Salvation Army. Please call 1800-264-6412 for more information.

Grant County Human Services Holiday Project

Call (608) 723-2136 x194 for information regarding Holiday assistance. They provide clothing, meals, toys, and basic items.

GREEN

Green County Human Services

Pleasant View Complex, Monroe.
Please call (608) 328-9393 regarding holiday assistance.

Green County Interchurch Food Pantry

Please call (608) 329-7511 for information regarding holiday assistance.

United Way of Green County

Please call (608) 325-7747 for more information.

IOWA

Iowa County Social Services

109 W. Fountain St., Dodgeville.
There will be Thanksgiving meal offered at a local establishment.
Please call (608) 935-9311 for more information.

Southwest CAP

Please call (608) 935-2326 for information regarding services in your area for the holidays.

JEFFERSON

Community Action Coalition in Watertown, WI

Christmas Neighbor Program. Program will be held on December 17th at the Jefferson County Fair Grounds. For more information, please call (920) 674-4499 before November 2nd, or (920) 674-5352 after November 2nd.

First Call for Help

Call (920) 563-9555 for information on other assistance programs in Jefferson County, such as Coats for Kids.

Workforce Development Center of Jefferson County

Call (920) 674-7500 for information about the food pantry in your school district.

JUNEAU

Juneau County Department of Human Services

220 E. State St. Call (608)847-9479 for more information.

LAFAYETTE

The Giving Tree

Please call Holy Rosary Church in Darlington at (608) 776-4059 for more information.

Southwest CAP

Please call (608) 935-2326 for information regarding services in your area for the holidays.

RICHLAND

First Call for Help

Call 1-800-362-8255 for holiday resources in your area. Call 211 for the Great Rivers area.

SAUK

Sauk County Human Services

Call (608) 355-4200 for information about holiday programs.



Welcome Stephanie Adams and Kelsey Gross

Stephanie Adams

Case Manager, 252-6540 x25

I grew up in a working class family in Rockford, IL. I've lived all over the US, including CA, KY, and FL. While living in Kentucky, I attended the University of KY and received a BS in Communication. As a result of living in KY, where college basketball is a passion, I'm a big college basketball fan. (Go Wildcats!) I've lived in WI for 20 years now. I previously worked at the University of WI. I returned to school and now have my Master's degree in Social Work from UW.

I love being a social worker and all that social work stands for, and

I particularly enjoy being a case manager. My work as a case manager allows me to advocate for clients and use many different skills to help others. I'm also actively involved in different legislative issues to bring about social change. One area I feel passionate about and am working on is the need for universal health care for all in WI and the United States.

Kelsey Gross

Case Management Intern
252-6540 x45

I am coming onto the Case Management team as an intern for the year. I am currently a graduate student at the UW studying social work. I am new to the field as I

received my Bachelor's degree in education but I have been loving my time in social work thus far.

Before moving to Madison, I lived in the Appleton area and went to a small college for undergraduate study. My family still lives in the Fox Valley but we moved around a lot when I was younger. I have lived in a number of cities and states in my childhood but really like Madison.

I have special interests in health, international social work, and advocacy but am anxious for experiences in all fields. In my spare time, I like to be artsy, volunteer, and run.



AIDS Network's mission is to remain well respected by our clients, community and financial partners, while providing comprehensive HIV/AIDS prevention services including core and support services facilitating the enhanced well-being and quality of life of people affected and living with HIV/AIDS and related illnesses.

Support Groups

Distinctions: A Group for African Americans who are HIV positive

Facilitated by Barbara McKinney and James Lynch. Meetings are at the Villager Mall (2300 S. Park Street) on the 3rd Thursday of the month, from 5-6 PM. Open to both men and women. Call Bethany at x31 for details.

Pozitive Light: A social and support group for all gay or bisexual HIV-positive men. Feel free to drop-in on this ongoing group on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month from 5:30-7:30 PM at AIDS Network, Madison. Call 252-6540 x24 for details

Latinos con Pensamiento Poitivo: Grupo de apoyo social para Latinos: Se reunirá el segundo Sábado de cada mes a las 5 PM te esperamos. Si deseas participar por favor communicate con Jesus Carbonell 252-6540 x41

Writer's Workshop: An opportunity to express yourself and develop your writing skills. Facilitated by a UW graduate student of English and coordinated by case manager Michele Goolsbey. The group meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at the AIDS Network from 5:30-7pm. It will run through December. Please call Michele at 252-6540 x43 with questions.

Drop-In HIV+ Support Group: Anyone living with HIV is welcome! This group is facilitated by Mary Vasquez and Melanie Brooks, two former case managers. The group will take a break during the busy holiday season and start up again in the new year. Contact your case manager in January for meeting dates and times.

Substance Use Relapse Prevention Group

All HIV+ individuals with concerns about past or present alcohol or drug use are welcome. Meetings are from 4-5 PM on Thursdays at AIDS Network, Madison. Facilitated by Brett Brasher, AODA Counselor.

Upcoming Dates:

- Nov 6, Nov 20, (Note: No group on Nov 13 or Nov 27)
- Dec 4, 11, 18 (Note: No group on Dec 25)
- Jan 8, 15, 22, 29



World AIDS Day Events

Monday, December 1: Bells & Bows

A formal, fundraising reception will be held at 5:30 PM at Rotary Gardens in Janesville. A limited number of free tickets will be available to clients. Call your case manager for more information.

Thursday, December 4

5:30 Volunteer Recognition Awards

6:45 AIDS Memorial Service

We will celebrate the volunteers that make AIDS Network so successful. Following the awards ceremony, we will honor and reflect on those who have lost their lives to HIV/AIDS in a non-religious ceremony. Glenwood Moravian Church, 725 Gilmore St, Madison.

Friday, December 5: Tree Lighting

Supplies to make tree ornaments honoring those touched by HIV/AIDS will be available all week at AIDS Network. Please feel free to stop in at any time. On Friday, we will hang all ornaments on a tree in front of AIDS Network. Refreshments begin at 5 PM and tree lighting will take place at 5:30 PM.

Saturday, December 6

Madison for World Health Concert
www.madisonforworldhealth.com.

Madison for World Health produced a CD of music performed by local musicians. AIDS Network receives 20% of the profits from its sale. On December 6, The Majestic will host a concert to promote the CD. More information and tickets are available on their website.

December 1 through December 5

UW HIV Care Program's AIDS Action 2008

A community art exhibit relating to the personal, political and social aspects of the HIV/AIDS epidemic will be on display at the Common Wealth Gallery, located in the Madison Enterprise Center, 100 S. Baldwin St., Madison.

Art submission applications are due November 15. Visit <http://sites.google.com/site/aidsaction2008> for details on the exhibit and instructions for artists.