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WORLD AIDS DAY TAKES ON A NEW MEANING

This year's planning for World AIDS Day 2001 (WAD2001) has been quite a challenge. The disaster at the World Trade Center was just blocks from our office and our building was closed for a number of weeks. Many organizations that wanted to participate in WAD 2001 were without offices, or communications, and everyone was trying to assess what to do next. Deadlines for ordering Quilt, processing request forms, and contacting participants were difficult if not impossible to process. But in spite of the obstacles, our WAD2001 planning team gave more time, patience, and energy to make this year's event possible.

The world of HIV/AIDS is no stranger to disbelief, death, and terror. While the disaster has focused everyone's attention on terrorism, our youth and African-American populations are being infected, and thousands throughout the world are still dying. World AIDS Day will take on a whole new meaning this year.

We will be hosting approximately 95 displays of the Quilt in all five boroughs of New York City, Long Island, Connecticut, Westchester County, and Yonkers (display schedule included in this newsletter). We are estimating more than 100,000 people will view the Quilt this year in schools, businesses, medical centers, and HIV/AIDS community-based organizations. We want to welcome Time, Inc. this year, who will be hosting a two-day event for their employees. While some of our past financial district participants will not be joining us this year, we do have libraries, government agencies, middle, senior and special education schools, and prisons all displaying the Quilt.

We want to thank our WAD2001 committee members: Helen Bowden-White, Gary Kempler, Pam Abrams, and Jeff Bosacki. We invite you to support the work of our

participants by visiting one of the many displays in the New York City area. Our participants have shown that this tragedy will not stop business or our daily activities. Together we will continue our efforts to educate New Yorkers about HIV/AIDS. We encourage you to give generously this year as we continue to raise money simultaneously with disaster relief fundraising.

LONG ISLAND CONTACT

We are proud to announce that we have a new volunteer, and panelmaker, who has offered to help us support Quilt activities on Long Island. This is in addition to the panel-making workshops that continue to be held at Our Lady of Grace Church in West Babylon. For display and education outreach inquiries, please contact Liz Ebert at (631) 585-1244.

WORLD AIDS DAY NEW PANEL DEDICATIONS:

We are honored to have the following organizations including new panel dedications or accepting new panels at their events.

Dedications will be at:

Brooklyn: Brooklyn Boro. Pres. Off.,
Nov. 29th at 6pm

Manhattan: Out Of The Darkness,
LGBT Center, Dec 1st, 5pm

Terence Cardinal Cooke
Health Ctr., Dec. 3rd, 7pm

Staten Island: Our Lady of Good Counsel
Church, Nov. 30th, 6:00pm
Reading names in front of
Borough Hall

Submissions of new panels will take place in the Bronx, Queens, Long Island, and Connecticut. If you are interested in participating, please contact Ben McLaughlin, our panelmaking coord. at (212) 226-2292, for more details, or visit our website.

Chapter Accomplishments

SOUTH AFRICAN SCHOOL QUILT TOUR 2001

For the second year, the Chapter brought our "Quilt 101" School Quilt Program to schools in townships outside Cape Town, South Africa. Nine U.S. volunteers, who raised their own funds to pay for airline, hotel, and transportation expenses, joined the Chapter to help make a difference. We reached 22 schools, more than 20,000 students, and began dozens of panelmaking workshops. Because school is in summer session during World AIDS Day, the Ministry of Education created AIDS Week, the first week in September, so schools could address HIV/AIDS. We are proud that our "Quilt 101" Program is a part of the Western Cape's Life Skills Program for schools.

Our profound thanks to our first time volunteers: teenager Jamie Morales and her guardian Sandy Hysom from Wichita, Kansas, "JB" Bowlin from Santa Barbara, California, Karen Meredith from New Jersey, and Lawrie Elliott from Seattle, Washington, and returning volunteers: Maria Betters from New Jersey, Lisa Elliott from San Francisco, California and Bob Stump from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. With the help of Brett Anderson and Zoleka Ngozana from NAMES Project South Africa-Western Cape, Program Director Jeff Bosacki, our powerful South African PWAs, and our partner Philippi East School Clinic and their psychologists, the message of the Quilt made a powerful impact.

Each morning at 7:00am the group would arrive at the school clinic to review the day's agenda and then drive to the schools. At each school a general student body assembly was held where Quilt was displayed. Then teams went into classrooms with our curriculum. Volunteers would return from schools with incredible stories putting a face to AIDS in this country, and experiences that inspired each volunteer to get up early each morning. In previous years, teachers and principals didn't talk about HIV/AIDS. This year, however, they began to request that teams talk with them before talking to their students. The change of attitude in talking about HIV/AIDS is clear. Although it's still impossible for many, there are now lots of questions and expressions of concern, unlike previous tours. The presence of parents at schools this year was a clear sign that we got the word out that the Quilt was coming. The Quilt in South Africa is changing lives!

This year we began the process of "sistering" schools between both countries. Letters from partners of organizations in the U.S. to schools in South Africa were included in New Panel Kits. These kits were made available to all schools, and panelmaking

workshops were held in the weeks during and after our visit. Most of the U.S. volunteers who came had someone already wanting to sister with the schools.

Our work in South Africa continues to accomplish our goals. We are working with more New York City African-American churches, schools, and organizations than ever before, recharging volunteers and their passion to work in the HIV/AIDS field, and has facilitated the sharing of information and experiences in educating our communities about HIV/AIDS.

If you are interested in joining one of our teams for September 2002, and can raise the funds (approx. \$3,500-\$4,000), please contact Program Director, Jeff Bosacki, at the Chapter, or visit our website for tour details..

NEW PANEL KITS MAKE HISTORY

The Chapter wanted to make a significant impact on panelmaking efforts in South Africa. We also wanted a simple way to promote our sistering program. This country is poor and the schools we visit on our School Quilt Tour do not have the resources to buy materials to make panels. So we put out a call for help. We were pleasantly surprised when two NAMES Project Chapters, and an AIDS Service Organization stepped forward to create over 50 kits.

NAMES Project Ft. Worth was one of our angels. NAMES Project Rhode Island was another. They approached the Westminster Unitarian Youth Group in their community to help make AIDS Quilt panel packages. The response was very enthusiastic although they were also nervous about what was really involved, and how they would get the work done. The kids presented the idea to their Congregation at the Youth Service. They brought in a Quilt Panel that they had been involved in creating, explained this new project, and requested donations of fabrics and notions. The response was HUGE! They continued by approaching stores for donations of supplies, had a babysitting project to raise money, and finally got to spread everything out and begin putting together the kits. The initial idea was to assemble 3 packages. That quickly rose to a goal of 20, and finally culminated to 30 kits. Ten teenagers and two adults combined their energy, spread that through an entire congregation and into the community, and sent it across the world.

Another angel came from California at the Pacific Pride Foundation, in Santa Barbara. They didn't have to look far when seeking assistance. Six women at their agency gave of their time, purchased supplies, and packaged the kits. The group was headed up by case manager, Carol Rodarte, who called the project "a labor of love". The 3ft x 6ft pieces of material were original hand painted fabric panels done by local artist/volunteer Dennis Spangler. The artist paints, dyes

and silk screens fabric for home interiors, large exhibits, as well as his own showings. They felt blessed to have very loving volunteers who gave of their time and talents.

Collaboration has been an important key to this successful portion of the program. We want to thank everyone involved with this project, especially Sandy Hysom in Wichita, KS, one of our U.S. volunteers. She donated a digital camera to document schools in these townships that will be sistering with schools in Wichita.

The completed panels will be on tour sponsored by NAMES Project-NYC from April 15 thru May, 20, 2002. If you are interested in the tour, or creating New Panel Kits for schools in South Africa and Zimbabwe, please visit our website or contact the Chapter for details.

GOLF MAKES QUILT HISTORY

The first annual Long Island golf benefit The NAMES Project New York City took place in West Sayville, New York on August 13, 2001. It was a huge success, raising over \$10,000.00. The event was managed by one amazing Long Island panelmaker, Liz Ebert, who found local corporations and businesses to donate hundreds of assorted gifts, and raffle prizes for the event. The day consisted of a continental breakfast, 18 holes of golf and a buffet luncheon, and concluded with an unfolding ceremony and Quilt display that reached the hearts and minds of many in attendance.

All money raised will help us underwrite our local School Quilt Program. Quilt will be made available to schools who do not have the resources to bring it to their school. We especially want to continue to support the excellent work the previous Long Island Chapter started.

We are already planning next year's event, and hope more volunteers will come forward to help. Even if you're not a golfer, it still is a great way to come out to Long Island, make a difference, and get involved. Mark your calendars for August 5, 2002, at the Wind Watch Golf and Country Club located in Hauppauge, New York. For additional information, or to become a sponsor, please contact the outing coordinator, Liz Ebert at Liz1944@aol.com, or call us at the Chapter.

QUILT AT GMHC

This past year, we partnered with Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC) in marking the 20th year of HIV/AIDS. Each month, the Chapter provided Quilt to display in the lobby at GMHC. For two months, we were able to hang portions of the South African Quilt. Thanks to Imtiaz Waldin and Krishna Stone at GMHC for their role in keeping this collaboration alive!

NEW YORK CITY WORLD AIDS DAY DISPLAYS 2001

Displays schedule prior to October 22, 2001 - Please call the location to confirm dates and times.

	SPONSOR ORGANIZATION	CONTACT	PHONE WORK:	
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	STAR Academy MS 201	John Stanton/Vera Clarke	718/328-1972	
Brooklyn	University Heights HS-Nichols Hall	Linda Levy/Gene Harding	718-289-5300	
	VIP Community Services	Danielle Strauss	718-901-4871x108	
	Abraham Lincoln High School	Maxine Berger	718-372-5474	
	Brookdale Univ. Hospital Med. Ctr.	Carline Jean-Pierre	718-240-6637	
	Brooklyn Borough President's Office	Dorothy Deringer	718-802-3904	
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	Brooklyn Public Library	Paquita Campoverde	718-230-2479	
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	Interfaith Medical Center	Kim Hunter-Martin	718-778-1514x176	
Manhattan	John Jay High School	Delores Washington	718-368-5398	
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	Phoenix House	Meg O'Sullivan	718-270-3294	
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	Educational Alliance	Abigail Sirota	212-780-0800x233	
	Fordham College	Mary Kate Blaine	212-636-6043	
	GMHC	Krishna Stone	212-367-1016	
	Holy Trinity Lutheran Church	Kristine M. Gebbie	212-305-1794	
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	Latino Commission on AIDS	Prof. Felipe Hill	212-795-1301	
	LGBT Center "Out of the Darkness"	Anthia Zito	212-620-7831	
	New York Public Library	Susan Rabbiner	212-930-0757	
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	NYU College of Dentistry	Jeff Bengert	212-998-9831	
	Pfizer, Inc.	Ingrid Fox	212-573-1128	
	PS 161-Don Pedro Albizus Campos Sch	Jose Luis Soto, Jr.	212-690-5946	
	Reality House	Ricardo Nieves	212-666-8000x366	
Staten Island	Rivington House	Earl Collom	212-539-6221	
	Presbyterian Church	John Lembo	212-219-7330	
	St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Ctr.	José Martin Garcia Orduña	212-523-6046	
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	S. Paul's Episcopal Church	Lorna J. Hulet	718-762-4100	
St. Vincent Catholic Med. Ctr	Rev. Florine Thompson	718-558-2241		
U.S. Postal Service-Diversity Comm.	Hank Krumholtz	718-321-5483		
Long Island	Arthur Kill Correctional Facility	Carlos Torres	718/981-3366	
	College of Staten Island-Wellness Ctr.	Linda Conte	718-982-3129	
	SI HIV Care Network	Pam Abrams	718/981-3366	
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	St. John's Univ. Health & Wellness	Margaret Tierney	718-390-4447	
	Farmingdale HS Alternative Pgrm/PAGE	Kevin G. Loud	516-752-6674	
	JP Morgan Chase-Garden City	Judy Courtney	516-745-4568	
	JP Morgan Chase-Hicksville	Kelli Cobb	516-934-2896	
	Manhasset High School	Lori Lorusso	516-627-8000x1201	
	Nassau Community College	Cherrie Sears	516-572-7532	
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South African Quilt on Display in New York City

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PANEL REQUESTS:

If you wish to have a panel on display in New York City with "Chapter Quilt," we send our requests to Atlanta, Georgia three times a year: (1) Jan. 15th for displays between Feb. and June, (2) June 15th for displays between Aug. and Nov., and (3) Sept. 15th for World AIDS Day. Panels are reserved on a 'first-come first-serve' basis. We cannot guarantee your panel will be sent but we will continue to request it until it comes to New York. With thousands of panels with New York City as the requested city, panelmakers should not assume that their panel will always be available each time you hear the Quilt will be on display. Requests should be sent in writing or via email 45 days in advance to our offices with the panel number and name on the panel.

MEETINGS: If you are interested in attend meeting, please call or email us for details. Meeting are held at our offices in the evenings.

STEERING COMMITTEE AND COMMITTEE OPENINGS: If you are interested in working with the Chapter on a quarterly or project-basis (typically annually), please contact us by phone at (212) 226-2292 or email us at NAMESNYC@aol.com.

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PANELMAKING WORKSHOPS

MANHATTAN & BROOKLYN:

Panelmaking workshops may be arranged on an "appointment" basis during the evenings and on Saturdays.

STATEN ISLAND:

Panelmaking workshops are being held for World AIDS day by "an appointment only" basis. Please contact Pam Abrams at (718) 981-3366.

QUEENS & THE BRONX:

We are looking for an organization or place of worship to host a workshop in either of these boroughs. Anyone interested please call (212) 226-2292

LONG ISLAND:

In West Babylon, Our Lady of Grace Church is offering a workshop on 2nd Saturday of each month from 11am-2pm. Please contact Ada Catapano at (631) 884-5392 for further information.

NEW PANELMAKING WORKSHOPS:

Anyone wishing to open a workshop at their church, community organization, or medical center to create panels to dedicate for the larger Quilt, please call the chapter and leave a message for Ben McLaughlin to discuss the procedure.

PANELMAKING ASSISTANCE:

If you need help with ideas, layout, design, what to use, or where to buy it, call us so we can arrange a time to meet and discuss your needs concerning your panel. Also, if you would like to dedicate a new panel, please call our office at (212) 226-2292, and leave a message for Ben McLaughlin, our Panelmaking Coord.

Don't forget, panelmaking instructions in different languages can also be found on our website.