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InterFaith Health Clinic Update

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A quarterly publication to inform current and prospective friends of the InterFaith Health Clinic. Providing affordable medical, dental and mental health care to the working uninsured and other under-served people.

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Mission Statement: To provide accessible, affordable, and quality health care to the low income working uninsured and underserved, primarily through the support of the religious, health care, and business communities.

A Worthy Cause

Did you know the average cost of a primary healthcare visit in the Knoxville area is \$261.00, not including any medication? Imagine trying to pay that when you make \$7.25 an hour and have no health insurance. The realization that the cost is close to one 40 hour work week of gross pay is shocking, yet this is the problem faced by over 4,500 patients at InterFaith Health Clinic. Thankfully for them, the clinic is here in our community to provide medical care to them for a nominal fee, typically \$10 to \$15 per visit. But what happens to the difference in cost? The clinic must look for funding sources to help cover the cost of providing this service to those in need and we need your help.

John is a married father of 6 with Ulcerative Colitis, a chronic disease that requires medication to help control the disease. He came to InterFaith upon discharge from a hospital. Because InterFaith exists, he received care from our staff, received care from a specialist, had access to counseling to help him deal with his disease, received his medication (which costs \$2500- \$3000 out of pocket) for \$15, and reduced lab costs. Most importantly, John has been able to maintain his quality of life and his ability to provide for his family with the help of InterFaith. Without InterFaith, he most likely would have surgery to remove his entire colon and would be facing the effects of that surgery for the rest of his life.

Our community is full of worthy causes: the homeless need a warm place to sleep and food to eat; children who might not have Christmas without our help, abandoned pets need loving homes and our churches need our support. We would be honored for you to consider adding the patients of InterFaith to the list of worthy causes you support. We fill the gap in the world of healthcare for those working without insurance who need help. Thank you to those who have continually supported us over the years and to those just joining our cause. We wish you the very best this holiday season.

Thank you,

Melissa Knight
 Executive Director

Knoxville's Biggest Brain

Thank you for your participation in our second annual fundraiser, Knoxville's Biggest Brain. This year's event saw a significant increase in new players and a 115 % increase in sponsorship for the event. The winning team was UBS, who swept the room with the final question.

Thank you to the following sponsors for making this night possible: OrthoKnox PLLC, Enrichment Federal Credit Union, FSG Bank, Russ and Nicole Wilson and Eagle Distributing. Thanks to your support, InterFaith is able to purchase a new chair for the lab, which will be used by over 6,000 patients annually, and provide basic medical supplies to 120 InterFaith patients. Make sure to mark your calendars for November 5, 2015 and join us again next year for Knoxville's Biggest Brain!



Knoxville's Biggest Brain caterers



Knoxville's Biggest Brain bartenders

Coming Up

February 12th & 13th:

Delivery days for Sweet's for the Sweet. Call 865-243-3038 to reserve a cupcake for your sweetie!

February 27th:

Doc Rock for Health at NV Nightclub. Come cheer on Remedy as they play for InterFaith!

Tailgate Party

Hosted by the Greater Knoxville Sertoma Club, the annual tailgate is an indoor/outdoor tailgate party featuring a full-catered meal and an array of beverages at Knoxville Beverage Company. The Tennessee vs. Ole Miss game was televised on multiple projection-size televisions, both indoors and outside by the fire. Tickets were \$100, with all proceeds going to help offset the cost of providing healthcare to the working uninsured and underinsured. We would like to give special thanks to the presenting sponsor, Enrollment First, Inc., Knoxville Beverage Company for the use of their space, and the Greater Knoxville Sertoma Club for once again hosting this fantastic event.

Sara Jordan Blues Tribute

For the fifth year in a row, the Smoky Mountain Blues Society teamed up with Scruffy City Hall on Market Square in downtown Knoxville to produce an 8 band extravaganza in a heart-warming remembrance of the Knoxville Blues Diva, Sara Jordan. The event was held on Thursday, November 13 at Scruffy City Hall on Market Square. The event will raised funds for InterFaith Health Clinic, which supported Sara with essential services and comfort in her final days.



Mayme West at the Tailgate Party

Sign Up and Help the Clinic!

Kroger: Sign up for InterFaith to benefit from your grocery shopping by registering at www.krogercommunityrewards.com. Simply sign up or register, use your Kroger Plus card number or Alternate ID, and choose InterFaith as your charity of choice.

Amazon Smile: AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), select InterFaith to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping and the clinic will then receive .5% of the purchase

InterFaith Holiday Giving

Are you looking for a gift for that person who has everything? Need to say thanks to your co-workers but don't know how? InterFaith Health Clinic has some gift ideas that work for everyone! Consider making a donation to the clinic and "purchase" one of our gifts. We will send a card to the recipient, you will be helping support our ministry of serving the working uninsured and more than 8,500 patients will be able to receive the care they need. If you would like to make a purchase from the catalog, please call 865-243-3038. You may also fax orders to 865-243-3045 or e-mail them to info@interfaithhealthclinic.org.

Holiday Gift Cards

This holiday season, give the gift of healing by honoring your loved ones with a gift to InterFaith Health Clinic. A gift to InterFaith is the perfect way to remember your colleagues, friends and family members during this special time of year. Clearly list the names and addresses of those you wish to honor. Also, please include how you want your name to appear on the honor card sent to the recipient. Each honoree will receive an attractive holiday card. A minimum \$20 donation per honoree is suggested.

Mail honorariums, including honoree addresses, to:

InterFaith Health Clinic

Attn: Honorariums

315 Gill Ave.

Knoxville, TN 37917

You can also e-mail your list to info@interfaithhealthclinic.org or fax it to 865-243-3045.

Order Form

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

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Please charge my: MasterCard Visa Amount \$ _____

Item	Name	Quantity	Suggested Gift	Your Gift Amount
1	Patient Care- Primary care Visit		\$50	
1A	Patient Care- Specialist Visit		\$75	
2	Dental Care Kit		\$50	
3	Medical Supplies		\$100	
4	Diabetes Care Kit		\$200	
			Total	

Thank you for supporting



Holiday Gift Catalog



1. Patient Care

Primary Care - \$50

Specialist Visit - \$75

InterFaith is not a free clinic. Instead, patients are charged according to a sliding-fee scale that is based on household size and income. Most of our patients fall at the 10% level of the scale. On average, patients pay \$15 for a visit to the clinic; the difference is made up from community support. A \$50 donation will provide one primary care visit and a \$75 donation will provide one specialist care visit.



2. Dental Care Kit

\$50

Dental care is important to overall health and poor dental hygiene can be linked to larger health issues such as heart disease and diabetes. InterFaith's Dental Clinic hands out an average of 50 toothbrushes a month.

A gift of \$50 will provide toothbrushes to patients for 1 month.



3. Medical Supplies

\$100

Medical supplies are essential to our day-to-day operations. From lab tests to bandages, we strive to provide our patients with exceptional care.

A gift of \$100 will help offset the cost of medical supplies for the clinic.



4. Diabetes Care Kit

\$200

Diabetes is a chronic disease that affects millions of Americans. It is also a very expensive disease to manage with test meters and strips, insulin, syringes, lancets and proper disposal containers. InterFaith helps address the medical side of diabetes by providing these items along with education to our patients.

A gift of \$200 will provide a diabetes care kit to one patient.

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