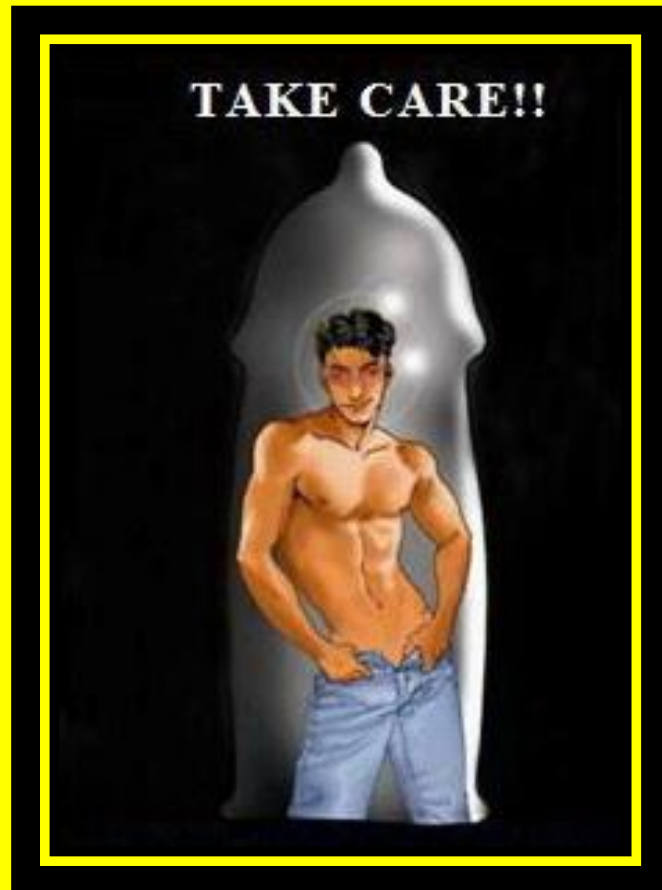


NOTE FROM THE EDITOR:

Please accept our sincerest apologies for missing the publication of the JULY 2012 TAKE CARE!! Newsletter. The following is a joint JULY/AUGUST 2012 edition of the Newsletter.

**TAKE
CARE!!**

**MONTHLY
NEWSLETTER
JULY/AUGUST
2012**



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MISSION STATEMENT:

TAKE CARE!! provides and disseminates resources and information regarding safer sex with the aim of preventing the spread of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections in Pattaya and environs.



Activities –June 2012

- There was one Safer Sex Pack distribution during June – 12 June. 905 packs were distributed to 32 venues. Following the distributions, there were 2,975 packs on hand.
- During 2009, 16,280 Safer Sex Packs were distributed -- an average of 1,356 packs per month. During 2010, 15,250 Safer Sex Packs were distributed -- an average of 1,270 packs per month. During 2011, 13,425 Safer Sex Packs were distributed – an average of 1,119 packs per month. Thus far in 2012, 7,330 Safer Sex Packs have been distributed – an average of 1,222 packs per month.
- Thirteen active members of TAKE CARE!! were outside of Thailand during all or part of June.
- There was one regular TAKE CARE!! Monday meeting held during June – 18 June.
- Throughout the month there was considerable correspondence back and forth between TAKE CARE!! in Pattaya and colleagues in South Florida relating to the filing of information to the US IRS relating to the TAKE CARE!! submission for 501(c)(3) (“tax free”) status. The documentation was submitted to the IRS at the end of the month.
- A fund raising dinner held Thursday 28 June at the Galanga Thai Kitchen and Sushi Bar in Wilton Manors, Florida, near Miami was hosted by TAKE CARE!! presence in the USA, known as Taking Care.



Activities – July 2012

- *There were two Safer Sex Pack distribution during July – 2 July and 25 July. 1,000 packs were distributed to 35 venues and 700 packs to 28 venues, respectively. Following the distributions, there were 1,175 packs on hand.*
- *During 2009, 16,280 Safer Sex Packs were distributed -- an average of 1,356 packs per month. During 2010, 15,250 Safer Sex Packs were distributed -- an average of 1,270 packs per month. During 2011, 13,425 Safer Sex Packs were distributed – an average of 1,119 packs per month. Thus far in 2012, 9,030 Safer Sex Packs have been distributed – an average of 1,290 packs per month.*
- *Nine active members of TAKE CARE!! were outside of Thailand during all or part of July.*
- *There was one regular TAKE CARE!! Monday meeting held during June – 16 July.*



Finances – June 2012

The bank balance as of 1 July 2012 is 61,041 baht.

-- Income during June 2012:

100.00 Donation – Anonymous
5,500.00 Donation – Bondi Beach Par Quiz Night – June 2012

-- Expenditures during June 2012:

200.00 Packing supplies – plastic bags



Finances – July 2012

The bank balance as of 1 August 2012 is 56,891baht.

-- Income during July 2012:

1,400.00 Donation – Bondi Beach Par Quiz Night – July 2012

-- Expenditures during July 2012:

5,550.00 Expenses related to 501(c)(3) tax free status filing in USA



Upcoming –Activities – July 2012

-- During July, two regular distributions will take place as scheduled by the Distribution Committee.

-- One regular TAKE CARE!! meeting is scheduled the 3th Monday of the month – 16 July -- at the traditional venue, the Roof Garden of Howard's Guest House on Soi VC at 6:00 pm.



Upcoming –Activities – August 2012

-- During August, one regular distribution will take place as scheduled by the Distribution Committee.

-- There will be a packing session of bulk supplies into Safer Sex Packs on Saturday, 11 August at 12:00 at the home of Chairman Len Unterberger

-- One regular TAKE CARE!! meeting is scheduled the 2nd Monday of the month – 13 August -- at a venue to be announced at 6:00 pm. NOTE THAT HIS MEETING IS ON THE 2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH RATHER THAN THE NORMAL 3RD MONDAY OF THE MONTH.



TAKE CARE!!
SAYS "BYE BYE"
TO HOWARD'S GUEST HOUSE



AND A BIG “HELLO” **TO SANSUK SAUNA AND** **GUEST HOUSE**



For the past several years, the management of Howard's Guest House has graciously hosted the TAKE CARE!! regular monthly meetings, free of charge. What a contribution it has been!! The ambience has been warm and welcoming. So, it was like losing an old friend when we were advised that dear ole Howard's was closing its doors as of 27 July as per this message on their web site:

"Sorry Dear Howards friends, as from today July 27, Howards Guesthouse & Bar is closed. I am concentrating on my Sansuk Sauna and Guesthouse in Jomtien and will be happy to give ex Howards guests a discount if you would like to stay at Sansuk. Best wishes and thank you for your friendship and support over the years."

Naturally we are pleased to announce that in the very near future the TAKE CARE!! monthly meetings will be held within the vastly expanding grounds of Sansuk Sauna and Guest House. Due to considerable construction taking place at press time, we are not yet sure when the space will be available to us. Please watch this space in a coming issue of the newsletter for an announcement of the first TAKE CARE!! meeting to take place at

Sansuk. Meetings are held on the 3^d Monday of each month at 6:00. Visitors and residents alike are welcome to come along.

**FIRST SUCCESSFUL FUNDRAISING
EVENT FOR TAKE CARE!! IN THE
USA AT**



2389 Wilton Dr, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33305

Bet you are asking, TAKE CARE!! in the USA??? Well, almost, but not quite. Friends in the state of Florida have created a not-for-profit corporation called "Taking Care", which is in the process of filing for tax-free status under regulations of the US Internal Revenue Service. If granted, this status will permit US taxpayers and organizations to make tax deductible contributions to TAKE CARE!! through Taking Care.

On Thursday 28 June, Taking Care hosted a delicious fundraising dinner at Galanga Thai Kitchen and Sushi Bar.



The well-attended event cleared \$190 for TAKE CARE!! with another \$30 filling the pot through the PayPal button on the TAKE CARE!! web site. Genuine thanks for this really special night to two TAKE CARE!! members who attended with their friends in Florida. We look forward to further activity from our USA colleagues.



Genuine London Olympics 2012
Souvenirs at BONDI BEACH BAR in
Support of TAKE CARE!!



The guys at BONDI have done it again. They arranged with an incoming guest from the UK to bring 13 genuine London 2012 Olympics souvenirs along as a fundraiser for TAKE CARE!!

Prizes include pens, key holders, a baseball cap, all certified “official” souvenirs. Can’t go to London?? Go to Bondi!!

Better hurry along, you may be one of the lucky ones!!!

The Tombola method of winning is to buy a lucky number for 50 baht and hope that your number is a duplicate of one of the numbered prizes.



Packing Session Soon

Ever wonder where all those TAKE CARE!! Safer Sex Packs come from??

At noon Saturday 11 August, TAKE CARE!! members and friends will again get together to pack bulk condoms and lubricant sachets into safer sex packs.

We purchase our supplies in bulk from Bangkok Health and Happiness Co. and then once every couple of months get together and combine them into safer sex packs.



Almost like a party!!!! If you would like to lend a hand, check in with one of your TAKE CARE!! friends or drop an email to takecarepattaya@hotmail.com for directions.



***BONDI BEACH BAR &
RESTAURANT
MONTHLY QUIZ NIGHT***

On the last Sunday of every month, BONDI BEACH BAR AND RESTAURANT hosts an exciting QUIZ NIGHT to benefit TAKE CARE!!

The next QUIZ NIGHT is scheduled for 9:00 pm on Sunday 26 August 2012.

Join in the fun -- come along to BONDI at Dongtan Beach and join a team or bring your friends and make up a team to challenge those that already think they know everything about everything!!!! Every player contributes 100 baht -- all of which goes to TAKE CARE!!

In 2010, BONDI BEACH BAR AND RESTAURANT raised over 32,000 baht to support TAKE CARE!!'s HIV/AIDS prevention efforts.

In 2011, the amount raised for TAKE CARE!! by BONDI BEACH BAR AND RESTAURANT more than doubled to over 77,000 baht.

Help make 2012 an even bigger success and have a fun time at the QUIZ NIGHTS. Thus far in 2012, the great guys at BONDI have raised nearly 30,000 baht for TAKE CARE!! at the monthly QUIZ NIGHTS.

Every Sunday night – including QUIZ NIGHT – Bondi roasts a pig and lays on a great buffet – all you can eat – all for a very reasonable price!! Really a deal that you cannot beat..... so come early on QUIZ NIGHT, eat your fill and enjoy the QUIZ on a full stomach !!!



!!!!PayPal Returns!!!!



Some months ago, we were successful in inserting a functioning PayPal DONATE button on the TAKE CARE!! web site (www.takecarepattaya.com). Subsequently, PayPal management cancelled our PayPal connection, requesting additional documentation regarding our NGO status. Following considerable back-and-forth, during July, that status was reconsidered by PayPal and we have been successful in getting the PayPal DONATE button reactivated on the TAKE CARE!! website.



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DON'T JUST LOOK AT IT -
go to the TAKE CARE!!

Web site and
USE IT!!!!!!!!!!!!



**TAKE CARE!! PURCHASES ALL OF ITS SUPPLIES OF CONDOMS
AND LUBE SACHETS FROM
BANGKOK HEALTH AND HAPPINESS CO., LTD.**



We are particularly proud of our relationship with the folks at Bangkok Health and Happiness. It is not only a business relationship as they truly believe in and support our efforts. In addition to a rock bottom price for their products, they have this month made a contribution of 500 baht per month for the remainder of 2012.

That is a great way to do business!!!!

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