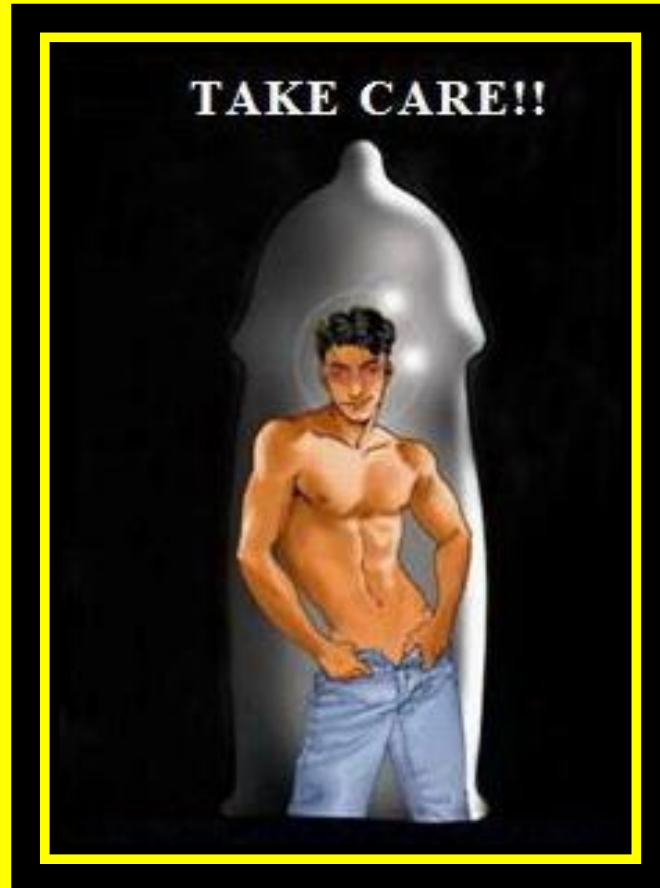


TAKE CARE!!

MONTHLY
NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER

2012



takecarepattaya@yahoo.com

!!PLEASE NOTE THIS IS OUR NEW EMAIL ADDRESS!!

Check out our web site at

www.takecarepattaya.com

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 –August 2012

- *There were two Safer Sex Pack distributions during September – 4 September and 17/25 September. 925 and 900 packs were distributed to 37 and 34 venues, respectively. Following the distributions, there were 2,950 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, 11,530 Safer Sex Packs have been distributed – an average of 1,281 packs per month.*
- *Six active members of TAKE CARE!! were outside of Thailand during all or part of September.*
- *There was one regular TAKE CARE!! Monday meeting held during September – 17 September.*
- *Mr. Scott Berry, Executive Director of THE HIV FOUNDATION THAILAND traveled from Bangkok to attend the monthly meeting of TAKE CARE!! on 17 September to familiarize himself with TAKE CARE!! operations and to discuss future fundraising plans. He also accompanied the Distribution Committee for the distribution of Safer Sex Packs to venues in the Pattayaland area.*



Finances – August 2012

-- As per the attached simplified Financial Report dated 1 October 2012, the current bank balance is 49,254.00 baht.

-- Income during September 2012:

30,000.00 VOICES-Thailand 3rd of 3 grants for 2012

-- Expenditures during September 2012:

No activity



Upcoming –Activities – September 2012

-- During October, one regular distribution of Safer Sex Packs will take place as scheduled by the Distribution Committee.

-- One regular TAKE CARE!! meeting is scheduled for the 3rd Monday of the month 15 October -- at 6:00 pm at the a venue to be announced

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LAST MONTH WE ANNOUNCED
REALLY *BIG* NEWS!!!

We reported that friends in the US state of Florida have created a not-for-profit corporation called “Taking Care”. Once this incorporation was confirmed, we requested our Florida colleagues to take it up a level and file for tax-free status under regulations of the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) – generally referred to as “501(c)(3)”.

Last month we reported that the US Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has granted tax free status to our US counterpart – Taking Care.

The good news this month is that we have now have a mailing address in the USA to which friends and supporters can mail checks made out to “Taking Care”.



The mailing address is:

Taking Care, Inc.
P. O. Box 24651
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33307
USA

Checks received at this address will be deposited into our TAKE CARE!! bank account at CitiBank/NY and periodically transferred to our Thai Military Bank (TMB) account in Pattaya.

Remember – contributions to Taking Care are now considered tax-deductible under IRS regulations. Thanks so much for your support!!!!



GREAT NEWS ABOUT THE TAKE CARE!! WEBSITE

For the past several years, the good folks at Liberty Computers have funded and served as webmaster for the TAKE CARE!! website:

www.takecarepattaya.com

During the past month, they have turned over the webmastering functions to TAKE CARE!! One of our longtime members has the necessary skill to handle this onerous task. This will give us full control over the content of the website, enabling us to keep it up-to-date with no hassle to our Liberty Computers friends.

We continue to be most appreciative to Liberty Computers for their support of our HIV/AIDS prevention efforts.



THE HIV FOUNDATION THAILAND
Spends an evening with TAKE CARE!!

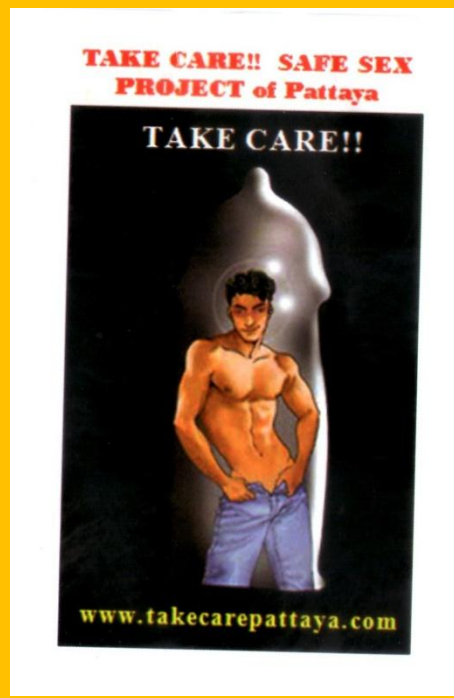
*Mr. Scott Berry, Executive Director of THE HIV
FOUNDATION THAILAND*



On Monday, 17 September, Mr. Scott Berry, Executive Director of THE HIV FOUNDATION THAILAND traveled from Bangkok to Pattaya to attend the monthly meeting of TAKE CARE!! He sought to familiarize himself with TAKE CARE!! operations and to discuss the Foundation's future fundraising plans. Following the meeting the group visited the Sansuk Sauna and Guest House and further discussed the Foundation's plans over dinner. Following dinner, Mr. Berry accompanied the TAKE CARE!! Distribution Committee as they provided Safer Sex Packs to 13 venues in the Pattayaland area.



YOU MAY WELL ASK >>>
What is a SAFER SEX PACK??



TAKE CARE!! has been distributing Safer Sex Packs every 2-3 weeks to venues in the Pattayaland, Sunee Plaza and Jomtien Complex entertainment centers since early 2005 – without missing a distribution.

Each Pack contains two 52 mm condoms and one 7.5 ml water-based lubricant sachet.

If you did not know before, now you do.

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***BONDI BEACH BAR &
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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 28 October 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!!!! 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.

*In 2012 – through September -- the great
guys at BONDI have raised over 47,000 baht
for TAKE CARE!! at the monthly QUIZ
NIGHTS.*



!!!!PayPal ON OUR WEBSITE!!!!

AND FOR OUR AMERICAN FRIENDS!!

PayPal contributions to TAKE CARE!! are
now tax-deductible!!!



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!!!!!!

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**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!!!!



**TAKE CARE!! IS FEATURED IN THEIR CURRENT !!!WOW!!!
AD CAMPAIGN IN THE OUT IN THAILAND
MAGAZINE!!!!!!**

<http://www.out-in-thailand.com/magazine>

