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Happenings at Mautner: Get Active in Your Community!

July 8, 2009

NEXT Saturday: Tea by the Sea (Don't forget to RSVP!)

Join us for a Beachside Bash for Mautner Project! Featuring cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, a beautiful sky-high setting with fabulous views and stellar conversation.



**NEXT Saturday,
July 18, 2009**

**6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Free!**

**12 Hickman Street, Rear
deck entrance (3rd
Floor), Rehoboth Beach,
DE***

Generously hosted by Scott

Join Rep. Tammy Baldwin in Ending LGBT Health Disparities!

On June 23, 2009, Congresswoman Tammy Baldwin introduced the Ending LGBT Health Disparities Act (ELHDA), the first comprehensive approach to improving all areas of the health care system in which lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) Americans face inequality and discrimination.

Mautner Project provided advice and background information to Rep. Baldwin's staff as they drafted the bill and has endorsed it.

"This bill invests in research and takes critical steps towards improving the health of LGBT Americans and their families," stated Baldwin.

The bill also establishes non-discrimination policies for all federal health programs, provides funding for cultural competence training for health care providers, extends Medicare benefits to same-sex domestic partners, creates a new office of LGBT Health within in the Department of Health and Human Services, and provides funding for community health centers who serve the LGBT community.

Joining Baldwin in sponsoring the bill are 18 others, including House Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman Henry Waxman (D-CA), and Reps. Barbara Lee (D-CA), Mike Honda (D-CA), and Nydia Velazquez (D-NY). Baldwin has worked for more than a year to craft this comprehensive, fully-inclusive bill. As Congress undertakes reforming the health care system as a whole, Baldwin and her colleagues are working to ensure that the health care of all disenfranchised populations is addressed.

What can you do? Call your Rep and ask him or her to cosponsor



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Please RSVP to Jeanie Adkins:

jadkins@mautnerproject.org
or 202-332-5536

*Please note multiple flights of stairs are involved to reach event.

Get the Breast Education!

We need your help! Do you want to make a difference in your community? Are you interested in learning more about breast health? What if you could have fun and meet people doing it? Sign up to become a peer educator and find out how to host a *Breast Health House Party!*

We are currently recruiting Griots, or peer educators, to participate in our new community support and education program, EDUcate: Eliminating Disparities for the Underserved. EDUcate is designed for African American lesbian and bisexual currently low-income women of all ages in the DC metro area, and is generously supported by Susan G. Komen for the Cure. For more information or to sign up, contact Rachelle at 202.332.5536 or rdixon@mautnerproject.org.

Mautner's Official Florist, JLB Floral



We are pleased to announce JLB Floral Inc. as the official florist of Mautner Project.

the Act! Cosponsors play a critical role in showing strong support for the bill. *Imagine*, you're one phone call away from improved healthcare for you and your loved ones!

Mautner Project's Support Groups!

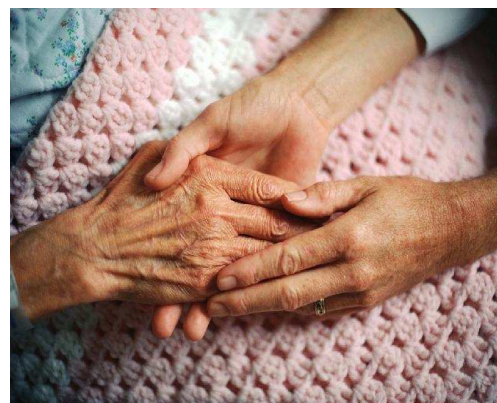
Mautner Project will be holding the following support groups:

Bereavement meets Wednesday evenings from 7.00-8.30 p.m.

Cancer Survivors meet the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 4.00 p.m. beginning July 25th

Caregivers meet Thursday evenings from 7.00- 8.30 p.m. beginning July 16th.

The groups are free, but registration is required. Folks who are interested should call or email Elizabeth Ide at 202-332-5536 or directservices@mautnerproject.org



See Serena, Help Mautner!




WASHINGTON
KASTLES

Mautner Project is proud to announce our new partnership with the Washington Kastles! The Kastles, featuring world-renowned tennis star **Serena Williams**, represent D.C. in the Advanta World Team Tennis league, co-founded by tennis legend **Billie Jean King**. Mautner Project is honored to be part of the Kastles' Charity Program which gives a *10% discount* on each ticket purchase, as well as 10% back to Mautner Project. There are only 8 home matches, and the entire season is in July so purchase your tickets now while they last! Among the tennis stars the Kastles will be challenging this season are Venus Williams, Martina Navratilova, Anna Kournikova, and John McEnroe. Visit the Kastles website: www.washingtonkastles.com. Simply click on the Tickets tab and you'll be directed to purchase your tickets through Ticketmaster where you can enter the **special promotion code: MPDC**. Save money to see the Kastles play and help support Mautner Project in the process. It's a win-win! For more information or questions, please call Jeanie Adkins at 202-332-5536 or jadkins@mautnerproject.org.


Buy Property and Raise Funds for Mautner Project!



Mautner Project owns two burial plots in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Baltimore, MD, located in Cedar Hill's "Garden of Tranquility." The plots are valued by the cemetery at **\$3,795 each**. Proceeds from the

 Order your flowers and centerpieces and 5% of your total purchase will be generously donated in support of Mautner Project's local and national health programs.

Call (703) 751-4031 and mention Mautner Project with your order. Let JLB Floral provide flowers for any occasion or celebration in 2009 - and you can contribute to Mautner's efforts in helping the lives of others.

 sale will support Mautner Project's work.

We welcome any reasonable offer: **Please call or email Leslie Calman at 202.332.5536 or Lcalman@mautnerproject.org** if you (or someone you know) might be interested in knowing more. You may learn more about Cedar Hill at <http://www.cedarhillcemeterymd.com>

In the Community

Ready to quit? Increase your chances of success by joining a Freedom from Smoking seven week class at The DC Center. Free tobacco replacement therapy (the patch, nicotine gum) are included in this program for DC residents. The classes will take place Thursdays at 6:00 PM at the DC Center starting on July 9th. Sign up now. Call the DC Center at 202-682-2245 or e-mail readytoquit@thedccenter.org.

Team DC's Out at the Nationals! The Night OUT at the Nationals will take place on **Monday, July 20** when the **Washington Nationals go to bat against the NY Mets**. Join together with more than 2,000 members of the Washington, DC GLBTQ community to cheer on the Nats. The game begins at 7:05 p.m., but **be sure to arrive early to the stadium by 6:40 p.m.** to hear the Gay Men's Chorus of Greater Washington sing the National Anthem. **To purchase tickets, please visit www.teamdc.org/noan5.html or www.nationals.com/nightout.** You can also purchase tickets at **Lambda Rising Bookstore in Dupont Circle** or **Nellie's Sports Bar** at 9th & U Streets, NW. **Tickets are \$15** (Scoreboard Pavilion) or **\$23** (Right Field Mezzanine).

Lesbian Breast Cancer Survivor Study! A PhD student at Oregon State University is conducting a study examining factors that uniquely influence the process of breast cancer survivorship for lesbian breast cancer survivors. The hope for the result of the study is that it will allow for better tailored support programs and resources to the unique experiences of lesbian breast cancer survivors and thereby enhance survivorship outcomes. **The one-time online, anonymous survey can be completed at:**

<http://bcsurvivorship.surveyconsole.com/>

The survey takes 20-30 minutes to complete and requires NO additional participation.

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The Mautner Project improves the health of lesbians, bisexual, and transgender women who partner with women, and their families, through advocacy, education, research, and direct service. We envision a healthcare system that is guided by social justice and responsive to the needs of all people.

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