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FRANKLIN COUNTY SERVICE PROVIDERS

January 6, 2009

Meeting attendees: (minutes follow on next page)

Jon Althausen--Legal Services of Eastern Missouri
Vivienne Beckett—Scenic Regional Library
Alyce Carpenter--Franklin County Children's Division
Lisa Epple—East Central College
John Falcone--HealthCare USA
Jeanette Hale--Franklin County Department of Health
Patricia Ham—MO Parole Board
Wendy Hartmann--East Central College, Human Resource Dept.
Phyllis Hicks—United Way 211 of Greater St. Louis
Melissa Hildebrandt—Mideast Area Aging on Aging
Micki Hoffman—East Central College, Adult Education and Literacy
Sandra McKinnon—University of Missouri Extension
Lisa Mundwiller—Alternative Opportunities
Sarah Nowak—Children's Advocacy Center
Danica Neale—Multiple Sclerosis Society, Gateway Chapter
Michael Pate—AIRA
Kyle Quick—Make it a Quick Click Foundation (Presenter)
Daphne Ressel—Probation and Parole, Union
Becky Stieffermann—Franklin County Area United Way
Sue Swisshelm—Franklin County Family Partnership, St. Clair
Verna Woodson—Recovery Intl., Union

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Presenter List for 2009

February 3, 2009	Alzheimer's Association – Stephanie Rohlfs-Young
March 3, 2009	United Way 2-1-1 – Phyllis Hicks
April 7, 2009	Legal Services of Eastern MO – Jon Althausser
May 5, 2009	Lutheran Family & Children's Services – Dee Restrepo
June 2, 2009	Franklin County Sheriff's Department - Deputy Duck
July 2009	No meeting held in July
August 4, 2009	Division of Children's Services – Alyce Carpenter
September 1, 2009	St. John's Mercy Hospital Auxiliary – Deanna Coppeans
October 6, 2009	Harmony Health Plan – Regina Sullivan
November 3, 2009	Habitat for Humanity – Norma Klemme & Mary Ann DeJesus
December 1, 2009	Americare – Julie Willman

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Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Becky Stieffermann, United Way. New members were reminded to sign in and provide contact information and email if they want to be included on the ListServ.

Introductions and the following announcements were made:

United Way:

Becky Stieffermann said that the allocation process for grants is proceeding and will be completed soon.

ALIVE: (announced by Becky Stieffermann in the absence of the ALIVE representative)

A benefit is being held on February 7. For more information, please contact ALIVE directly.

Franklin County Dept. of Health:

Jeannette Hale said that first responders in this area have now been provided with the anthrax vaccine through the Bioterrorism Dept. She also shared that the DOH provides services such as WIC and inspections of stores and restaurants.

ECC:

Lisa Epple said that classes will resume on Tuesday, January 20.

Midwest Area on Aging:

Melissa Hildebrandt said they are offering assistance with property tax credits for qualified seniors.

Recovery International:

Verna Woodson said they have meetings on Thursday at 11:00 A.M. at the Zion United Church of Christ, Washington & Springfield Street, in Union.

Scenic Regional Library:

Vivienne Beckett said that library has 7 branches for patrons in the area. They now have online tutoring services available for students K-12, and there is a link on their website, www.scenicregional.org

United Way 211 Services:

Phyllis Hicks reminded us that the United Way offers referral services through 2-1-1.

Children's Advocacy Center:

Sarah Nowak said the center offers services for abused children. They are holding a Sweetheart Dinner/Dance on February 28. Tickets are available on their website or by contacting Sarah at (573)468-2271.

Franklin County Children's Division:

Alyce Carpenter said she had tickets for the dinner/dance for purchase.

University of Missouri Extension:

Sandra McKinnon had information on a workshop, "Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate?" a guide for passing on personal possessions, which will be held on January 15, 6-8 p.m. Pre-registration is due by Monday, January 12, and the fee is \$20, which includes a 95 page workbook.

Legal Services of Eastern Missouri:

Jon Althaus spoke about the services provided, which concentrate on family law.

AIRA:

Michael Pate reminded us of their services (detailed in a brochure that was distributed last meeting). The agency's goal is to help people with disabilities stay in their homes.

Alternative Opportunities:

Lisa Mundwiller described the services, which include job leads and job coaching for developmentally or physically handicapped persons.

National MS Society:

Danica Neale described the services provided, anything associated to those living with MS.

HealthCare USA:

John Falcone stated that his agency serves the needs of 52 counties in Missouri.

ECC, Adult Education and Literacy:

Micki Hoffman stated the program has a serious need for volunteer tutors to work one-on-one with adults in need of literacy services. Anyone interested should contact the AEL office.

Franklin County Family Partnership:

Sue Swisshelm described the services provided for 3-4 year children living at 100% poverty level. There are currently openings, and applications should be directed to her agency.

Make It a Quick Click Foundation, Kyle Quick, Presenter:

Kyle's foundation's purpose is to help prevent a tragedy like his brother's. Ty Quick was killed in a car accident in August 2005, and was not wearing his seat belt at the time of the accident. The foundation is based on "It's Your Choice" and tries "to bring awareness through education; the importance of making healthy choices when driving."

Kyle concentrates on the importance of wearing a seat belt, but has also worked to get teens and adults to recognize that there are other hazards that can affect your driving such as: drinking, driver inattentiveness, and speeding. He also covered the importance of child safety seats, including age requirements and proper installation.

He shared various statistics about how many lives could be saved, especially in the 16-24 year old age group. Currently in Missouri, the law only requires seatbelts for those 16 and under, and non-compliance is only a secondary traffic offense. Kyle is working to get the Missouri legislature to strengthen the law, requiring that all persons must use a seat belt, and that offenses would be primary.

He is available as speaker for schools, civic organizations, and youth groups. In addition to his presentation, which he tailors to the group, he can also provide other resources like brochures, signs, key chains and license plate holders. He is also working on getting "wear your seat belt" signs posted on Franklin County Roads.

The presentation prompted many questions and a great deal of discussion from other attendees about the importance of his foundation, and how others could help get the word out.

Respectfully submitted,
Micki Hoffman