

What's Happening

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NAMI Annual Meeting Brings- Community Conversation about MHDD Redesign Jan. 9th

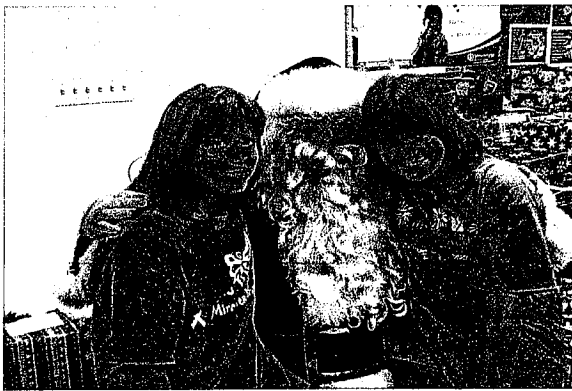
NAMI Hardin County, Hardin County Community Services, and ID Action are sponsoring a community meeting about MHDD redesign. The meeting will be in conjunction with the NAMI Annual Meeting and will be held **Wednesday, January 9th at 1:30 p.m. at the Barlow Library in Iowa Falls.**

In early 2012, the Iowa Legislature passed a bill that made big changes in the state's mental health and disability services system. The legislation (Senate File 2315) changed the way the system is funded and managed.

Experts from ID Action and InfoNet in Des Moines will provide an informative presentation for consumers, families, and providers. There will also be time for questions.

Following the meeting NAMI Hardin County will elect its Board of Directors for 2013!

Plan to attend this meeting to learn more about how the State mandated redesign of the MHDD system may effect you, your family, and community.



Darlene and Kyla enjoy a talk with Santa at FIA Christmas Party.

FIA Partners for Progress

An effort kicked off last fall to raise donations to support a much needed additional handicap accessible restroom at the Friendship Club. A special committee has contacted area churches, individuals, and organizations for donations to make the restroom a reality. A goal of \$4,500 in donations was set. The fund drive has now passed the \$3,000 point. Your help is needed in order to make this much needed project a reality!

If you would like more information about this project or would like to make a donation please contact Kathy Vitasek at 641-648-7500.

Dates To Note-

1/9/13-NAMI Annual Meeting & Community Meeting re: MHDD Redesign, IF Library, 1:30 p.m.

1/16/13-FIA Adv. Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m., Friendship Club, Iowa Falls.

Did You Know-

People who know why they wake up in the morning live up to seven years longer than those who don't. Know your purpose! (Wellmark)

How Does the MHDD System Change with Redesign

From ID Action Advocate's Guide to MHDD Redesign

The 2012 Redesign made some very big changes to Iowa's existing mental health and disability services system:

- ❖ Core services are expanded and are available to people regardless of where they live, but only as funding allows.
- ❖ Eligibility for services is limited in order to contain costs.
- ❖ State now pays for all Medicaid services, and local property taxes will pay for all non-Medicaid services and services to people not eligible for Medicaid.
- ❖ Legal settlement will end 7/1/12 and move to a residency basis.
- ❖ Counties will be required to join regions (or seek exemption) to manage the system.

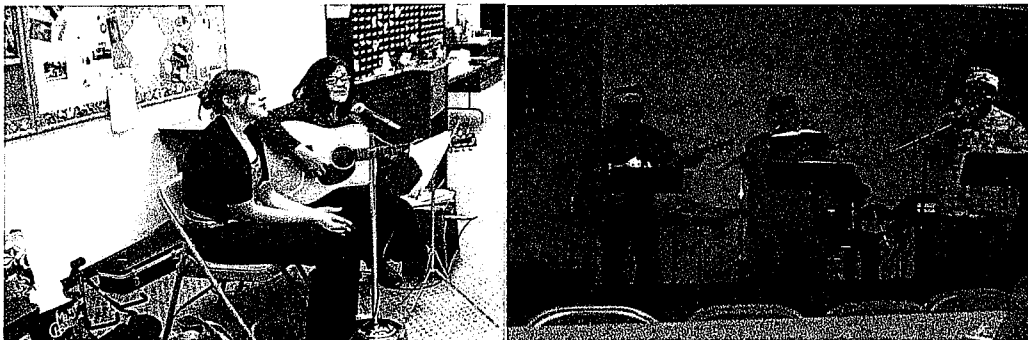
Holiday Celebrations

Thanks to the many volunteers who have made two holiday celebrations possible.

The East Side Ladies sponsored their annual Holiday Party on November 30th. Attendees enjoyed a supper, great music by the Home band, and Bingo!

FIA Volunteers sponsored the annual FIA Christmas Party on December 17th. Apx. 75 attended the event. Over \$2400 was raised to provide gifts to 56 individuals and provide a soup supper and door prizes. Special music was provided by Pam and Becky Klatt.

THANK YOU TO ALL THAT MAKE THESE SPECIAL EVENTS POSSIBLE!



Volunteers providing music for the holiday parties included Pam & Becky Klatt and the Home Band.



Volunteers provided a wonderful soup supper for the FIA Christmas. Attendees get ready for fun at the East Ladies party.

JANUARY OPEN Mon AND Wed 11 – 4 & Fri 11 - 3:30

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>Meals "around" noon Activities "around" 1:00pm unless noted  Member Birthdays</p>	1	<p>2 11:15 Get Moving Friendship Lunch – Hot Dogs Helpers: Jared & Richard</p> <p>HAPPY 2013</p>	3	<p>4 11:15 Get Moving Sack Lunch – Crafts with Sandy</p>	5
6	<p>7 Out to Eat @ Porters On Main- register by 12/28, leave at 11:15, eat 11:30 <i>Sharing with Billie Jo</i></p>	8	<p>9 11:15 Get Moving Friendship Lunch – Sloppy Joes Helpers: Sharon & Wanda</p> <p>1:30 NAMI Annual Meeting @ Barlow Library</p>	10	<p>11 11:15 Get Moving Sack Lunch</p> <p>BOWLING</p>	12
13	<p>14 11:15 Get Moving Sack Lunch</p> <p>CALENDAR PLANNING & MEMBERS CHOICE</p>	15	<p>16 11:15 Get Moving Friendship Lunch- Goulash Helpers: Heidi & Deanna</p> <p><i>Readings with Virginia</i></p>	17	<p>18 11:15 Get Moving Sack Lunch</p> <p><i>Current Events with Harold Alt.</i></p>	19
20	<p>21 11:15 Get Moving Sack Lunch –</p> <p>MEMBER MEETING & BINGO</p>	22	<p>23 11:15 Get Moving Friendship Lunch- Tuna Casserole Helpers: Vicki & Gina</p> <p>Freedom House – Vickie</p>	24	<p>25 11:15 Get Moving Sack Lunch –</p> <p>CARD TOURNAMENT</p>	26
27	<p>28 11:15 Get Moving Sack Lunch –</p> <p><i>Donnette from Greenbelt</i> 2:00 Newsletter Mailings</p>	29	<p>30 11:15 Get Moving Friendship Lunch- Turkey Loaf Helpers: Roger & Glenda</p> <p>SHOW & TELL</p>	31	<p> Adam Eakin</p> <p>clubiafalls@yahoo.com</p> <p>641-648-7500 602 S Oak, P O B 622 Iowa Falls, IA 50127</p>	

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