VISIT THE MOST FABULOUS THIFFT Store in Albany!

Treasure Chest **Thrift Store**

295 Hamilton St, Albany

just off Lark Street!

Furniture, collectibles, antiques, clothing, household items, jewelry & much more!

Volunteers Needed!

Free Parking in lot across the street! Ask our cashier for a parking voucher at the counter!

Store Phone: 436-7451 MC/VISA

Tues, Wed & Thurs	11 AM to 6
Fridays:	11 AM to 5
Saturdays:	11 AM to 4

All proceeds benefit the Damien Center

Damien Center Staff are here to HELP!

Executive Director	Perry Junjulas
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Office Manager	Tim Felder
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Program Coordinator	Andrew Mendez
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Prevention Counselor	Peg Stucky
Community Nutrition Educator	Tricia Bulatao
Nutrition Program Assistant	Lindsey Jones
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Schenectady Damien Center!

Living room & Nutrition Health Education Tuesdays and Fridays 11 AM to 4 PM. If you are a registered member of the Damien Center—please join us! 518-449-7119 for an intake!

Support Groups & Meetings

GAB (Guest Advisory Board) Meeting - Last Monday of the month at 3:30pm. This board advises us on our programs and how they are running. Drop in! Prizes from the Thrift Store too for attending and participating!!

Men's Support Group - Every Wednesday for men only. Facilitated by Vincent Aiken CASAC

Social Activities

Pre-BBQ BINGO! - Fourth Monday of the month at 4:30pm!! Prizes from our Treasure Chest Thrift Store too!!

Drop-In Living Room – Open Mon through Fri from 8am-4pm with a comfortable sitting area and a supportive atmosphere!

First Lutheran Church Community BBQ - dinner, fresh veggies & clothing - Open to the entire community!

Monthly BBQ! - Join us for our monthly BBQ (rain or shine) from Noon to 4 PM here at the Damien Center!!!!

Services & Help for YOU

Community Meal Program - education sessions on choosing nutritious meals! Free giveaways! Lunch is served from 12 to 1:30. To sign up call 449-7119 x108.

Grocery Education Sessions - for members registered with the Smart Meals Grocery Education Program—Learn how to cook and eat nutritiously.

Case Management - Assistance is provided weekly by case managers from the Alliance for Positive Health & Catholic Charities AIDS Services - drop in!

Topic Groups

Albany Ending the Epidemic Regional Discussion

- 9 AM to 1 PM on Tues, Aug 18 at Hilton Albany, 40 Lodge St. Transportation available from the Damien Center at 8:30 sharp. Join us to provide input on regional needs/gaps and have input into putting the plan into ACTION in our region! RSVP to Aaron at 449-7119 x118

Medication Confidentiality & Delivery — Learn about the confidential medication delivery service provided through Jewel Pharmacy. Lunch will be provided!

Mary Lou Hamlin: Quilts, Panels and Memorials— Join Mary Lou Hamlin for a 2-part discussion on making quilts, panels and memorials,

Hepatitis C Education — Aureus Healthcare will be giving an educational presentation on all you need to know about Hepatitis C. Lunch will be provided!

Walgreens: Specialty Pharmacy — Come see what Walgreens' specialty pharmacy has to offer. Lunch will be provided!

Self-Management & Chronic Illness Training— A presentation by Charlene Cooper from CIA.

Pets are Wonderful Support

Pet Food Pick-up — Please note that pickup times are now on the second and fourth Tuesday from 1 - 4 pm. Call no later than 12 noon the Friday before to request your pet food/supplies. PAWS Phone #: 518-944-3223.

Pet Food Pick-up (TROY) — New for PAWS members who live in or around Troy. Pet food pickup available at the Troy Damien Center, 392 2nd St on the 2nd Friday from 12-1pm. Requests must be made no later than the Thurs before by calling 944-3223.

Holistic Healing

Note: it is always suggested to consult your primary care physician prior to starting any new therapeutic technique

Reiki (pronounced Ray-Key) - is an energy-based form of natural healing and bodywork in which the practitioner directs energy to the recipient so that they may achieve selfhealing on many different levels.



The Resource Center for People with HIV & AIDS

August 2015

Calendar of activities for people with HIV/AIDS

You are not alone - Maybe you tested HIV+ very recently; maybe you've known it for some time but this is the first time you've reached out for information or support. The Damien Center creates an environment where people can gather to share information, experiences, and make new friends - friends who understand what it is like to live with this disease.

There's no need for you to handle this by yourself. You are not the only person in our community facing this. Just hearing how someone else has adjusted to living with the virus can be enough to help you realize that life is still good, that you can still have love and laughter. We are not alone. And neither are you. Reprinted in part from The Body Positive

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GREAT THINGS going on!!!





The Albany Damien Center is a resource center for individuals and families living with and directly affected by HIV/AIDS. Drop-in living room hours are Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 4 PM.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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• Catholic Charities: 11:45-12:45pm	Alliance for Positive Health : 12-1pm	 Alliance for Positive Health 12-1pm Mary Lou Hamlin: Quilts, Panels and Memorials: 12:30pm Men's Support Group: 1pm 	Nutrition Ed: Make a Change: 11:30am Walgreens: Specialty Pharmacy Presentation: 12:30pm	7 Center Closed For Staff Training	8 Center Closed
• Catholic Charities: 11:45-12:45pm	 Alliance for Positive Health: 12-1pm Pet Food Pick-up: 1-4pm 	 Alliance for Positive Health 12-1pm Mary Lou Hamlin: Quilts, Panels and Memorials, Pt. 2: 12:30pm Men's Support Group: 1pm Women's Support Group: 2pm Reiki: 4pm 	 Nutrition Ed: Celebrate: 11:30am Catholic Charities: 11:45-12:45pm Jewel Pharmacy: Delivery & Confidentiality: 12:30pm 	 Center Open! Pet Food Pick-up at Troy Damien Center: 12-1pm 	Center Closed
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• Catholic Charities: 11:45- 12:45pm	2015	Saturd	Lunds and walk for the Albany & Sch ay, Sept 26, 2015 Washington Park La Contact Aaron now at 449-7119 x118 t	kehouse, Albany	

AIDSWalk

Dear Albany Damien Center Members:

Due to funding, we had to make some changes in our services. Effective Aug 1, we are temporarily stopping evening dinners at the Albany Damien Center. We will <u>still</u> serve lunches, but will close the living room at 4 PM daily.

We are working hard to restore the dinners and expect them to be back shortly as we work on getting new funding.

You will also notice a new entryway into the Damien Center and a new ticket system to receive meals. This is to ensure each person who is at the Damien Center is supposed to be there.

Finally, we have put a cap on our PAWS membership. All current clients of PAWS will still receive services, but we will not be taking new clients until the number of PAWS clients falls below 100 people. As we get more funding, we will be able to serve more people.

Please know that we are working hard on increasing funding for our valued programs. Please also know that I am available to speak with you about the changes.

What can you do to help?

- 1) Share your story with us. Tell us why the Damien Center is important to you.
- Join us in walking raising funds at AIDSWalk 2015 for the Albany & Schenectady Damien Centers, which will be held on Sat, Sept 26.

Thank you for being a part of a wonderful community here at the Damien Center—and we will continue work hard to be there for each person with HIV/AIDS who needs us!

Sincerely,

Perry Junjulas, Damien Center Director