Election Month

NAMI’s June Monthly Meeting will be postponed until July 19th.

Please plan to join us in July. More information will follow in July’s newsletter.

Turlock CSUS Connection Support Group will be postponed until August 8th when it will resume meeting the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month.

Did You Know?

Hours in the office have recently increased.

Please welcome Lisa Jackson to NAMI Stanislaus.

Lisa will be working in the office Monday thru Friday from 8-11 am. We hope you will take the opportunity to meet her.

Eileen’s Summer Hours

Eileen’s June and July days will be Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 3:30PM – 6:00PM

Membership dues going up July 1, 2017

Family Membership $60
Individual Membership $40
Open Door Membership $5

NAMI Board is still looking for board members and a treasurer

Complaint Form Access

There will be NAMI Stanislaus complaint forms in the office if you have a complaint that you would like to submit to the NAMI Stanislaus Board of Directors.

After you fill out the form, please attach the necessary documentation for your complaint and drop off in office or mail to NAMI Stanislaus Attention Darlene Thomas, P.O Box 4120, Modesto, CA.

All complaints will be addressed & you will be notified with the results of our findings.

Do You Want to be Heard by the Board of NAMI Stanislaus??

If you have an item that you would like brought to the boards attention, you will need to email an Agenda Request Form 5 business days before the meeting.

Please email Dar at dar3rocks@sbcglobal.net to receive the Agenda Request Form.
On Wednesday, May 17th it was standing room only at our first OPEN HOUSE to help celebrate "MAY NATIONAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH". The Jana Lynn room was alive with activity, meeting old friends and making new ones. We had the pleasure of having Valley Mountain Regional Center’s Barbara Johnson, come to talk about their agency as well as John Aguirre from Stanislaus counties LGBTQA chapter, "Collaborative for Greater Well-Being". A newer organization to our area, "Victorious Black Women Inc." was presented by Rene and Carl. All of the participants offered facts related to their organizations and insights into how they are prospering in Stanislaus County. Everyone enjoyed the light buffet of mini crescent sandwiches, chips and pastries put on by our own Shelley and Tammy ....Thank you so much to all our participants and guests.

NAMI volunteers showed support by wearing badges announcing "ASK ME", our way of letting our visitors know that the person wearing that badge could answer any inquiries related to NAMI Stanislaus. Posters, pamphlets and hand-outs were available as well as two speakers from NAMI’s “In Our Own Voice” program coordinated by Lynn Padlo. Nancy and Sean spoke about their lives as a person living with a mental illness as the room listened to their every word.

Allison Clark

Education Report

EDUCATION REPORT
This month, the IOOV speakers did 7 presentations. They presented at Gurnick Academy, Empowerment Center, Wellness Center and Turlock Recovery Center. We did one Ending the Silence program for youth and their parents with Modesto Police Dept. Also, we were fortunate to be asked to speak to the Sutter Health CNA meeting on May 25th with our PTAA program. So, in these 3 different program presentations, we had over 300 audience members which included students in medical college, CNA nurses, consumers, Wellness clients, and Turlock Recovery women’s and men’s group. It is my privilege to have worked with these 7 presenters for many years and I am so proud of them in their presentations of their recovery.

CIT Intervention Team Training

As coordinators of the speakers for the CIT training parent and consumer participation day, Jack Waldorf and I attended a refresher course on the best possible interaction between law enforcement and NAMI presenters. We learned some new tips and are very happy to continue this presentation on the one day of their BHRS training. I thank the department for asking us to be involved and telling our lived experience stories for a lot of the law enforcement taking the CIT training. This was the highlight of their training.

Thank You For Your Contribution

Memberships
- Nelda Parman
- Judy & Don Kropp
- Ron & Tammy Mullins
- John & Leinani Minior
- Lori Armagost
- Jeri Johnson
- Cheri Barnes
- Karen May
- Marie Andrews
- Lucinda Chiszar
- Angela Adamcik

Donations
- Ron & Tammy Mullins
- John & Leinani Minior
- Lori Armagost
- Turlock Exchange Club
- Diane Domeier
- Marie Andrews
- Richard & Melissa Feemster
NAMI WALK HIGHLIGHTS 2017

Seven years of having a great team, has been very fulfilling. This year, I had 15 walkers, and some of them drove long miles to Sacramento to join us. Ages ranged from 82 to 6 yrs. of age, but very hearty, enthusiastic walkers all in response to NAMI’s mission—education, advocacy and support. So, we all made a statement by being there:

⇒ Bringing people together to show strengths not weaknesses
⇒ Showing the public our commitment to helping the mentally ill
⇒ Speaking out against discrimination of the mentally ill

I thank you all for getting donations for our local NAMI and also for NAMI National, who do a lot of research, advocacy and education also. Thanks to Sacramento NAMI for organizing the WALK, working at it and leading all of the affiliates in this mission. Also, thanks to our local WALK chair people Chris Brady and Marnye Henry. The donation campaign continues until June 30th, so Padlo’s Pacers would appreciate your donations (namiwalks/northerncalifornia/Stanislaus.

MARNYE AND CHRIS’ TEAM
“LIVE THE LIFE YOU DREAM”

The Brady/Henry team won the t-shirt contest in this year’s NAMI WALK. They also have been the lead coordinators of the Stanislaus part of the WALK. We thank them for all their time, hard work and efforts to help our affiliate. They were also one of the top fundraisers. They too, are still taking donations until June 30th.
## Family Support Groups

**Family Support Group in Modesto**
Jana Lynn Plaza 6:30-8 p.m.

**2nd Mondays & 4th Mondays**
500 N. 9th St. Modesto
Call Dar (209) 656-8855

**Day Family Support Group in Modesto**
First United Methodist Church
850 16th St. (across from the Stanislaus County Library)
10:30 a.m. – Noon

*Meets the last Tuesday of each month*
(Please ring buzzer at the door)
Call Lynn (209) 404-6015

## Connection Support Groups

**Connection Support Group Modesto**
Jana Lynn Plaza, 500 N. 9th St. Suite D
6:30-8 p.m.

**2nd and 4th Mondays**
Call (209) 558-4555 or Dar (209) 656-8855

**Connection Support Group Turlock**
2nd & 4th Tuesdays from 6:30-8pm.
Cooper House, 1123 Cooper Ave., next to the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church on Minaret & Cooper Ave.
across from the Turlock Library
Call Dar (209) 656-8855

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**POSTPONED UNTIL AUG. 8TH**

**Turlock Connection Support Group**
CSUS Connection Support Group
One University Circle
Room 175 in the Library
2nd & 4th Tuesday of each
The NAMI Stanislaus Board of Directors wants to extend their appreciation and gratitude to Linda Mayo & Rhonda Allen for the many hours they have so generously given to advocating for Laura’s Law in Stanislaus County, beginning in 2016.

For example, they have held numerous meetings to get the awareness out to the hundreds of people that have a loved one living with a mental illness that are unaware that they are ill.

Some of the meetings that Linda & Rhonda have held are, educational meetings, strategy meetings, planning meetings, attended county forum meetings, made presentations to the Stanislaus County Mental Health Board, Board of Supervisors and City Council meetings in numerous towns. They recently held a meeting in Modesto to educate people about Laura’s law with guest speaker Randal Hagar who has been instrumental in getting counties to adopt Laura’s Law.

THANK YOU RHONDA & LINDA!!

Left to Right Rhonda Allen, Randal Hagar, & Linda Mayo

IOOV Speakers LF to RT (Dave Bartlett, Sean Rodgers, Nancy Godinho, Jack Waldorf, Victorious Black Women Table, Sarah Ochoa, Board Member, VMRC Table, LBGTQ Table & Lynn Padlo, Executive Director)

NAMI STANISLAUS OPEN HOUSE 2017

Just a reminder that on June 26th, we will be holding a meeting for the active membership to vote on adopting our proposed bylaws.

The meeting will be held in the Jana Lynn Room at 500 N. 9th St., Modesto, CA. at 6:30 PM.

If you have any questions please call the NAMI office at (209) 558-455