



# The Care Connection

## Southwest Boulevard Family Health Care

### Another Sold Out Crowd for Tacos & Beer on the Boulevard!

**Our Mission**  
To provide health care and support services to all, including the medically indigent, in a nondiscriminatory manner and setting, dedicated to continuity with quality medical care.



The Boulevard Brewing Company played host to another sold out summer event benefitting Family Health Care! Friends and supporters gathered for cold beer and amazing food that

was generously donated by local vendors and restaurants. Many thanks to our Event Co-Chairs Kathy Cook, David Castellani and Emily Perry Short for all of their hard work and effort to make the evening such a great success! We are also truly grateful for our wonderful Host Committee who helped gather sponsorships and auction items:



2016 Event Co-Chairs Kathy Cook, David Castellani and Emily Perry Short

**FHC Values— Equality**

We believe in the inherent worth of each individual and strive to interact respectfully and fairly with each person, particularly those who are most vulnerable by approaching each individual with compassion and caring.

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- Brent Thompson



Good friends, good times!

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The Good Sam Club band treated the crowd to a medley of classic rock tunes while they perused the auction tables. FOX 4's Kerry Stowell was our emcee for the evening. She presided over the Heads n' Tails game where winner Tashia Smith walked away with a Samsung 32" LED TV. The weather cooperated so our guests were able to enjoy the view of downtown Kansas City from the Boulevard Brewing Company's fabulous deck. Mark your calendars for 2017! Tacos & Beer on the Boulevard will be held on Thursday, June 15th. See you there!



The generosity of sponsors and donors allows FHC to continue providing services to those in need. Thank you for your support!



Dr. Sharon Lee presents an award to FHC Patient Assistance Advocate Tammy Stowell for her years of service



Our sponsors from Gilead Sciences  
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## Notes from Dr. Lee



This evening, I am frayed. After counseling another mother distraught and sobbing about the death of her son from gun violence in Kansas City, Kansas there is little left to say. This week Family Health Care (FHC) lost two of our own to gun violence and we treated two others with gunshot wounds. Social determinants of health are strongly evident regarding gun violence. All these and the police officer shot last week were within a few blocks.

Those readers who are ardent about the “2nd amendment” and interpret it to mean everyone in our country should be armed to the teeth will want to stop reading now. It is true that people kill people. It is also true that humans kill more efficiently with tools or weapons. The Neanderthals learned that when they developed spears to improve their hunting prowess.

The cost of terrible gun violence is great. Every day 31 people in the US are murdered by gun violence. Every day 31 mother’s lose a son or daughter to a bullet. Sometimes it is because friends lose their temper and fire off not only epitaphs, but deadly bullets. Without a gun they might hurt the other’s feelings, or even break a nose or split a lip, but it is far less likely they will kill. The difference between an argument that becomes violent and stops with recoverable injury and one that ends in death is often simply that a loaded gun is at hand. In three of the cases affecting FHC this week, the person shot was dis-engaging from an argument. They were walking away when the shooter shot them from the back. Two of them will never have another argument, they were hushed- forever.

More guns result in more death and more lifetimes of regret for the survivors. Guns that fire off scores of killing bullets in a few moments like at Sandy Hook or Aurora are even worse. Keeping guns and ammunition from the hands of known crazy folks or known violent people is a moderate idea for prevention of some of these deaths. Prevention is the work we do each day. I am saddened by these deaths and I worry about who is next. FHC is taking up a collection to help with the burials. Both of the young men who died got their vaccinations at FHC as children. But, there is no vaccine to protect them from gun violence.

## Tacos and Beer on the Boulevard — Thank You to Our Sponsors

### Ale Aficionado

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### Dinner graciously provided by:

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The Good Sam Club Band



Pictured: GAP Volunteers



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## FHC Welcomes PRxP Pharmacy



PRxP of Kansas is a small, locally run pharmacy located onsite at Family Health Care. Patient care is their number one priority. They offer same day pickup, competitive prices and medication therapy management. Because they are not a large chain or franchise, they are able to provide personal care to all of their patients. They are able to administer one-on-one counseling along with prescriptions to ensure that patients are staying compliant and understand the risks or side-effects their medications may cause. Pharmacists are there to answer any and all of your questions at any time, regarding your prescriptions or treatment. They offer competitive prices to make sure patients are spending as little out-of-pocket as possible. PRxP understands that you lead a busy life, so convenience is a priority for them. Now patients have the added convenience of picking up their prescriptions at the clinic on the day of their appt. Phone: (913) 233-4973 or Fax (913) 233-4975 Email: PRxPKS@340BPharm.com Hours: M-W 9-5:30 Thursday 11-7:30 Friday 9-5



## Care Beyond the Boulevard Reaches out to KC's Urban Poor and Homeless

FHC Nurse Practitioner KK Assmann has a mission... to take medicine to the streets of the homeless in KC. Every Monday night from 5:30-7pm The Micah Ministry food kitchen at Independence Boulevard Christian Church in downtown Kansas City opens it's doors to feed the hungry by providing nearly 1000 nourishing suppers in their Fellowship Hall. During this time KK and other medical professionals come to volunteer at Care Beyond the Boulevard, many after working all day! RN's, LPN's, Social Workers and Medical Assistants provide quality care for urgent and chronic health needs to people who need it and appreciate it. They typically see 6-14 patients each session (most Monday evenings). Additional services are provided as necessary through Family Health Care's Southwest Boulevard clinic. The volunteers also work to assemble and distribute care packages filled with personal hygiene products as well as pillows and other useful items. If you would like to volunteer your time or have items to donate please message KK through the Care Beyond the Boulevard Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/kcstreetmed/>.

## Cheers to Medela & Lansinoh

Breast pump manufacturers Medela and Lansinoh recently matched Family Health Care dollar for dollar which provided dozens of breast pumps and breast feeding supplies to the MOM clinic. MOM meets a critical need in Wyandotte County where options for prenatal care for poor and uninsured women are almost non-existent. Wyandotte County has one of the highest infant mortality rates in the state of Kansas. Effectively caring for mothers and their children in the most concentrated pockets of poverty in the state requires expertise in handling the direct medical needs and complex social conditions of the population served. Prenatal patients at FHC have the opportunity to work with a Lactation Specialist and Social Worker as well as physicians and nurse practitioners.



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### Wish List

- \* Oximeter w/printer
- \* Scanner
- \* Computer keyboards
- \* Pacifiers
- \* Breastfeeding supplies
- \* New or gently used baby slings
- \* Volunteer dentists

### We're Thankful For...

- \* Drs Ron and Sasha Gier for their years of service in the dental clinic
- \* Our literacy staff, Punky Thomas and Dana Segur, for their tutoring support of both children and adults
- \* All of the book donations we receive
- \* Studio 925 for donating care pkgs. for homeless women
- \* Kansas City Hospice for their many in-kind donations

## Save the Date for *Champagne & Chocolate 2016* an event benefiting Southwest Boulevard Family Health Care

**Champagne  
& Chocolate**

SOUTHWEST BOULEVARD FAMILY HEALTH CARE

**Saturday, November 5, 2016 6 - 9 PM**

**At the home of Kelly and Jon Lambert**

**800 West 56th Street**

**Kansas City, Missouri 64113**

**Event Co-Chairs:**

**Amanda & Kirk Lambright and Kelly & Gregory Wolf**

Reservations and sponsorships available via PayPal at [swbfhc.org](http://swbfhc.org). For more information contact Shari Webster at 913.722.3100, ext. 272 or [shariwebster@swbfhcs.org](mailto:shariwebster@swbfhcs.org).