

### Massachusetts Organization for Addiction Recovery c/o Boston ASAP – 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, 30 Winter Street Boston, MA 02108 May 14, 2004

## MOAR Calendar of Events Update

# Alcohol Awareness Month Celebration, April 13<sup>th</sup>,

MOAR Statewide Recovery Community Service was Great!

Theme: "Save a Life: End Underage Drinking and Other Drug Use",

Parents and Youth Shared about *How to Supports* from Family to Services!

The Improbable Players performed! BSAS Director, Michael Botticelli, Connie Peters,

MHSACM and David Matteodo, MA Behavioral Health Private Health Systems engaged in strategy to make positive healthcare coverage issues!

#### **Success in Western Massachusetts**

May 6<sup>th</sup>, "Resources for Recovery, Will They Be There for Our Children" with Representative Peter Larkin, 7 to 9 PM, City Hall, Pittsfield was a Success with 200 people! Next Steps for Strategy: May 27<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM, Hillcrest Hospital, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, New Building

FAVOR Telling Your Story to End Stigma and Discrimination May 15<sup>th</sup> ~~Great! Faces and Voices of Recovery, a Johnson Institute Project, facilitated by Patricia Taylor, Campaign Coordinator, and national leaders gave MOAR and AARC, Alliance for Addiction Recovery Communities, a New England advocacy consortium, the opportunity to enhance skills to address the challenges of stigma and discrimination, by emphasizing the value of personal recovery, inclusive of the family. Right from the heart Massachusetts presentations were given by Maureen Harvey, Karen MacDonald, Diane Kurtz, Lisette Gravalese, Amos Marshall, and Dana Moulton. Legal Action Center, Recovery Association Project, and Ritchie Consulting Corporation provided expertise.

#### Marcus Garvey Center Renovated and Opened for Recovery Support Services

On May 11<sup>th</sup>, a renovated Marcus Garvey reopened with support from Metro Boston Alive and the City of Boston. Mayor Thomas Menino, Public Health Commission Executive Director, John Auerbach, Boston SA Policy Advisor, Kattie Portis, Greg Davis ~ community leader shared in presentations. In fact, the city granted the center with a \$10,000 mini grant!

City of Boston and State Offering Heroin Prevention Grants with Community Initiatives. We thank Boston's Mayor Thomas Menino for availing \$180,000 for the city wide initiative to increase acupuncture and buprenorphine availability and community mobilization grants. The state's RFA process can be found on *Massachusetts' Heroin and Other Opioids Comprehensive Environmental Planning and Implementation Grants #501705 Posted on CommPass http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc\_view.idc?doc\_id=016393* 

# Calendar of Upcoming Events

We are Planning for September's Recovery Month Celebration:
"Join The Voices of Recovery... NOW!"
Monday, June 7th 6;30 PM, Faulkner Hospital, Huevos Auditorium, Jamaica Plain

#### MOAR Opportunities to Drive The Direction of MOAR

New Bedford, June 8th, 11 AM, Reflections, 497 Belleville Ave East Boston, May 19th, 3 PM, North Suffolk Mental Health Association, 14 Porter St Hyannis, June 1, 5:30 PM, Gosnold, 1185 Falmouth Rd Worcester, June 8th, 6:15 PM, Thayer Auditorium, Community Healthlink, 72 Jacques Ave with LaVerne Saunders to Tell The Story of Recovery

#### MOAR Friends Public Education Events

June 10<sup>th</sup> Allston Brighton Substance Abuse Task Force Outreach to Schools
June 16<sup>th</sup> – South Boston Hope and Recovery Forum – Tynan School – 6:30 PM
June 20<sup>th</sup> – South Boston Hope and Recovery Walk
June 11<sup>th</sup> CASA Day – University of Massachusetts, Dorchester
June 11<sup>th</sup> - Western MA Substance Abuse Providers Annual Meeting and Luncheon

May 20<sup>th</sup> – Modern Assistance Program Education Series Graduation Day MOAR thanks Paul McDevitt, MAP CEO for the privilege of this great series

May 20th, Victory Programs, Reflections Fundraiser, Park Plaza

May 24<sup>t,h</sup> ~6 to8:30 PM~ North Suffolk and MOAR do an Oxycontin – Let's Talk forum North Suffolk, 14 Porter St, East Boston

June 14th – June 18th NESAS Summer School and NEAAR Advocacy Track

June 25<sup>th</sup> Lowell House and MOAR ~ Addiction Recovery Forum for Breakfast

July 10<sup>th</sup> – AdCare Hospital and MOAR go on a Boston Harbor Cruise Interested? Call Rich Harris – 1-800-345 –3552, Community Services

August 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> – New England Drug Court Conference, U Mass -Boston MOAR Info – call Join Together – 617-437-1500 Questions: Call Maryanne Frangules, 617-298-1262