

Health Spotlight April 2006

Celebrate National Public Health Week, April 3-9, 2006



National Public Health Month began in 1995 when former president Bill Clinton proclaimed it as the first full week in April. Since then, the American Public Health Association has been in charge of organizing National Public Health Week and develops a national campaign to educate about issues during the week related to the theme to policymakers, the public, and practitioners.

Join the American Public Health Association and other organizations in celebrating National Public Health Week during the week of April 3-9, 2006. This year's theme is, "Designing Healthy Communities, Raising Healthy Kids." For more information about National Public Health Week, visit the American Public Health Association's website at www.apha.org/nphw/2006/.

April is Public Health Month in Scott County

The Scott County Health Department is celebrating National Public Health Week during the entire month of April with a theme of our own, "Discover Public Health". Many people do not know what public health is, but it is something that touches every Scott County resident whether they know it or not. For example, the Health Department inspects every restaurant, public swimming pools, public spas, hotels, tanning facilities, and tattoo parlors in Scott County. The pictures to the side and following this article illustrate a small number of the services the Scott County Health Department provides to the community. Also, the Scott County Health Department offers an STD Clinic and an Immunization Clinic in the Scott County Administrative Center. 4th floor located at 428 Western Avenue in Davenport. You may be wondering how we provide all of these services. These services are provided through county, state, and federal dollars. For more information about these services and many other public health services offered in our community, visit the Scott County Health Department's website at www.scottcountyjowa.com/health. To learn about public health services in Iowa visit the Iowa Department of Public Health's website at www.idph.state.ia.us or to learn about public health services in the United States, visit the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's website at www.cdc.gov. It is important to learn how Public Health lays the foundation of a healthy community to truly appreciate how it affects your daily life.















To celebrate Public Health Month, the Scott County Health Department is sponsoring a Community Trivia Night! Join us in celebrating Public Health, playing trivia, and raising money for United Way.

When: Friday, April 28th at 7:00 p.m. (Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.)

Where: Eagles Lodge, 4401 W. Locust Street, Davenport

Registration: Call Linda at 563-326-8618, ext 8815 by April 26th to

register or e-mail health@scottcountyiowa.com

Admission: \$10/person—a small price to pay for the chance to

win the 1st or 2nd place cash prize!

Teammates: Get a team of 6-8 people together or come solo to

form a team the night of the event!

Moon Walk 2006

Join the Scott County Health Department and other Quad City organizations in walking to the moon and back! The Moon Walk 2006 is a project of the Wellness Champions of the Quad City Health Initiative. Between March 31 and June 30, 2006, the Quad Cities will compete with communities in Peoria and Rockford, Illinois to race to the moon and back, a total of 477,400 community "walking" miles. They will do this through recording their miles of "walking" to their team captain, who will add it to the community total. For more information, contact "Mission Control" at 563-421-2815 or 563-421-2826.

