

Making a Difference

Clinics Can Help

Take a look in many homes at BallenIsles or other residential areas in our neighborhood and you will find lots of wheelchairs, canes, walkers, commodes, and other durable medical equipment waiting to be donated. At the same time, there are over 390,000 residents of Palm Beach County who are either uninsured or under insured and are

without the funds necessary to secure such basic medical equipment. Enter **Clinics Can Help** in 2005 with its Lending Closet Program designed to put the right equipment in the right place for people who need help. This nonprofit agency collects donations of all types of durable medical equipment from a variety of sources, refurbishes the equipment as necessary, and then “lends” the equipment at no charge to whoever needs help...asking only that the equipment be returned so that it can be loaned to another client. Our 2013 grant was used to procure twelve (12) Oxygen Concentrators, devices which filter out inert gasses to deliver a higher concentration of oxygen to patients with lung and/or heart disease. These devices are the only equipment purchased new by the agency because they can become inefficient over time and are not quite as durable as most of the other Lending Closet items. **Clinics Can Help**, recognized as one of 51 local Extraordinary Charities, call the

concentrators part of their *Breath of Life* project which helps patients with Asthma, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), and Lung Cancer. Your donations **made a difference** in the quality of life for patients who would not have had access to this important equipment for their treatment.



Save the Date for another Year of Great Events in 2014

Friday, February 7—Bridge with Luminaries
Saturday, March 1—Tennis Mixer & Pickle Ball Demo
Sunday, March 2—Book & Author Brunch
Saturday, March 22—Saks Fashion Show & Luncheon
Sunday, March 23—Art Collection Home Tours
Friday, March 28—"Simply Streisand" & Elaborate Dessert
Sunday, March 30—Golf Classic , Reception & Barbecue
Sunday, March 30—Silent Auction
Friday, April 11—Train the Trainer
Wednesday, April 23—Grant Giving Reception

Easy, Elegant & Eclectic

Kickoff Reception December, 20, 2013

Recipe samples from the cookbook and
Complimentary glass of wine will be served

The BallenIsles Charities Foundation presents
Easy, Elegant & Eclectic, a wonderful cookbook
featuring over 700 recipes from the kitchens of
BallenIsles residents and their families and friends.
You may purchase the cookbook now for \$28.

Cookbook Order forms are at the Clubhouse front desk.

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