

## HHII / GCECHIC Activities for August 2013

Aug. 5

- Excellent mtg. w. Mayor Skellie of Long Beach and three aldermen. Agreed to a planning meeting w. churches and civic groups that will result in a large community outreach.
- PPT presentation of Coastal Band to Rep. Delano, Haney and Baria. Agreed to receive e-mails and explore the Coastal Band concept.

Aug. 6

- Multi State GCECHIC conference call

Aug. 7

- Dan, Richard Papantonio and three pastors from Panama City met w. Senator Gates. Agreed to have a longer meeting where they will discuss the Coastal Band.

Aug. 8

- Very good mtg w. Rep. David Sessions. Agreed to give us names and telephone numbers for an educational “coffee” w. key people in his district. He wants to help out.

Aug. 14

- Excellent mtg. w. the President of the LA Homebuilders. Agreed to bring this up at the Board Mtg on Aug. 14 in New Orleans, where we will present the PPT.
- At the Center for Planning Excellence in Baton Rouge - Presentation and Brainstorming mtg around implementation of the Coastal Band. Agreed to explore funding possibilities and find other organizations to build the network. In attendance was US Senator Landrieu's staffer, Jean-Marie who arranged this appointment, BISCO, one of our sister organizations in Louisiana, the President of the Louisiana Homebuilders, a realtor and a homebuilder who work w. Tonia Pence of Appleseed Consultants, another one of our sister organizations.
- Talk radio appearance on a North Carolina program w. GCECHIC (BISCO, Appleseed and HHII). The director of the station talked to us off air about coming to New Bern, NC for a conference around this Coastal Band.

Aug. 15

- Very good conference call w. Jill Boxler, Governor Bentley's Federal Relations Director in Washington, DC. Agreed to contact staffers in the Governor's offices of NC, AL, MS and LA who in turn would enter into the process of exploring the Coastal Band.

Aug. 16

- Super meeting w. the President of the Baldwin County Assoc. of Realtors. Agreed to open the door for us in Mobile County and attend a meeting to plan a response to the Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> Clarity Law Data Day.

Aug. 20

- Mtg. w. Steps Coalition – went well. More committed than ever. Will line up interviews w. legislators. Need church connections in Biloxi.
- Met w. 2 pastors – Super time together and will meet in Sept. for a planning mtg.
- Presentation to the Louisiana Homebuilders Board of Directors 4pm – Tonia Pence w. Applesseed and Stacey w. South of the Wall did the presentation. Supportive – want a business plan and a bill ready to go to legislators. Pres, John Luther, said to slow down and get the groundswell going.

Aug. 21

- 8:30am met w. Avery from RHINO – Restoring Hope In New Orleans, will meet w. other LA pastors.
- 11am in Houma - Planning mtg. w. BISCO. Will work on funding opportunities and getting a contact for Jill in Gov. Jindal's office.
- 3:30pm dropped in on Paige Brooks at Mosiac Church in New Orleans, sister church w. COTA. We need to call him.

Aug. 22

- Planning mtg. w. Alderman Leonard for community outreach meeting in the near future. - went fantastic – he had about 10 people gathered, we showed the power pt and they will meet Sept. 12 at 10am. LTBA.

Aug. 23

- Coffee in Mobile w. Cathy Odom – went well. Talked for 2.5 hours. She and her friend PJ will set up a coffee in Mobile.

Aug. 24

- Presentation to the Palms Gulf Shores Homeowners Board on the Clarity Law and Coastal Band

Aug. 26

- Presentation to the Eastern Shore Rotary at Noon at Daphne UMC. Went really well. Lots of good contacts in Rotary and in Relators.

Aug. 27

- Dan and Johnny went to Panama City and did planning mtg w. three pastors and Richard P of Gr. Pensacola Community Organization.
- Michelle met w. Rep. Faust