

# March 2008 Newsletter

## Center for Grieving Children

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### Peer Support Meeting is set for Tuesday, 3-18-08

We will be talking to the kids about Remembering their loved ones. We will be making memory boxes during project time.

**Kids: please bring memory objects of the person you are coming to group to remember.** Some examples of items to bring are pictures, poems, or written memories, but it could be any thing that reminds you of the person who has died. These items will be used with the memory box project.

Our meal for the March meeting will be scalloped potatoes with ham and a tossed green salad.

Hope to see you there!

#### Special points of interest:

- Peer Support Meeting
- Volunteer highlight
- Green Saver books
- New Teen Grief Group
- We remember...



## Volunteer Highlight: Myron Daubert



You might see Myron helping to organize Teen events for the Center. He is also helping with new family intakes and community outreach presentations. We are glad to have your help, Myron!

I recently moved back to the Fox Valley to live with family about 18 months ago. Previously, I lived in Milwaukee for 20 years where I went to law school and had a practice primarily representing abused, neglected, runaway, and delinquent children. In 2006, I decided I could not make a full career just representing children but I still wanted to focus all my experience and skills toward helping children. I am now focusing my time on my practicum experience at the Boys & Girls Clubs and Center for Grieving Children.

I volunteer with the Big Brother/Big Sister Organization and have had the same little brother for 4 1/2 years. I have been a volunteer at My good Mourning center in Milwaukee for the past 4 years. I started my practicum experience here at the Center in January.

I am excited to volunteer at the Center to continue my work trying to help grieving children and their families in a place that is close to home. I also appreciate the opportunity to do my practicum work at the Center which is the last step in my effort to get my Masters in Counseling.



The Center for Grieving Children is excited to announce that we will be participating in a fundraiser called **“The Human Race”** that is put on by the Volunteer Center. This is a great opportunity to help raise much-needed funds for The Center while having a great time participating in a fun outdoor event with friends and family!

**What:** 5K Walk/Non-competitive run

**Where:** Thrivent Financial walking trail- Appleton

**When:** Saturday, May 3, 2008

8:15-9:00 am: registration

9:00 am: walk begins

\*If you are unable to join us on May 3 for the walk, you still have the opportunity to help out by taking pledges to raise money. Every little bit helps!

## **Good Grief...Walking a Healthy Journey**

A free workshop for those who are grieving and those who companion them

Keynote Speaker: Doug Smith

Several breakout sessions offered on various topics

When: Saturday, April 12, 2008

Where: Appleton North High School, 5000 N. Ballard Rd.

For more information, please contact

**Wichmann Funeral Home at 920-831-9905**

# GreenSaver Coupon Books

Our golf coupon books are **on sale now** for \$20 each! We have a supply of 300 books to sell from now until August 2008. We earn 50% of each book we sell. Our goal is to earn \$3000 from our sales. Would you be willing to help our effort by selling some books? **The family that sells the most books will receive a prize!** If you would like to help out or would like to purchase a book for yourself, **contact Irene at 731-0555 x244**

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## Survivors of Suicide, Appleton Group

Second Monday of the Month at 6:30 pm, FVUU F, 2600 E. Philip Lane, Appleton

A support group for family, friends, coworkers of those who have died by suicide. Minimum age is 14 years old. No charge to attend. For info, contact **Jodi Huebner at 920-475-0246** or **Christine Garstka at 920-731-0555 x 243**.

## Men Journeying Through Grief

Wednesday evenings, 6:00-8:00pm Affinity Visiting Nurses office, 816 W. Winneconne, Neenah

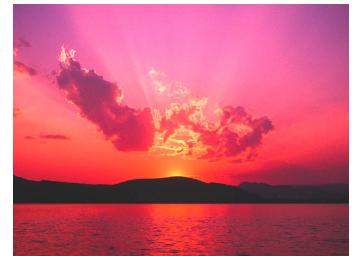
Men grieve uniquely and express it uniquely. Some of the messages from our culture and how we've been raised are roadblocks to our journeying through grief in a healthy way. Meal is part of the gathering.

Pre-register: Deb Kosmer 1-866-236-8500

## Compassionate Friends

4th Thursday of the month, 7pm Faith United Methodist Church, 1025 Tullar Road, Neenah

A self-help organization offering friendship and understanding to bereaved families who have experienced the death of a child.



## Hope, Humor, and Healing

Tuesdays, April 22, 29, May 6, 13, 6:00-8:15 p.m. Boys and Girls Club, 117 S. Locust St., Appleton

A new, 4 week **teen grief group** that is open to any high school-aged teen who has lost someone close to them. A great opportunity to bond with other teens who are also learning to cope with a death. Dinner will be part of each gathering.

Please register before **4/15/08** with Irene Hans at the Center for Grieving Children at 920-731-0555 x244

## CGC Men's Group Night

We are offering a special group for grieving Men, about Men's issues and facilitated by Men. You are welcome to attend if you are a Father, Uncle, Brother, Stepfather, or Grandfather, of a child enrolled at the Center for Grieving Children.

We held our first group on October 16, 2007 and it was very well attended. Our next group nights for Men are scheduled for **April 17, 2008**.

## Boys and Girls Clubs of the Fox Valley

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*"The friend who can be silent with us in a moment  
of despair or confusion, who can stay with us in an  
hour of grief and bereavement, who can tolerate  
not knowing, not curing, not healing and face with  
us the reality of our powerlessness, that is a friend  
who cares."*

— Henri Nouwen

# We Remember.....

<b>Danny Shears</b>	Born 2/3/1945	<b>Rodney Vorhis</b>	Born 3/7/1966
<b>Glen Harold Michael Burnn</b>	Born 2/5	<b>AJ Marquardt Jr.</b>	Born 3/9/1993
<b>Valerie Van Stappen</b>	Born 2/16/1965	<b>Natalie Verboncouer</b>	Born 3/10/2005
<b>Mary Daubert</b>	Died 2/17/2008	<b>Alan Post</b>	Born 3/11/1957
<b>Ernest Paltzer</b>	Born 2/22/1922		Died 3/13/2000
<b>Darlene Ward</b>	Born 2/22/1958	<b>Joseph Ashauer</b>	Born 3/16/1968
<b>Alyssa Mastbergen</b>	Born 2/24/1998	<b>Ireland Hendrickson</b>	Born 3/16/2005
<b>Joe Mostofi</b>	Died 3/5/2005	<b>Sean Terry</b>	Born 3/26/1975