

AUGUST 2015



**The
Compassionate
Friends**
Mercer Area Chapter
Supporting Family After a Child Dies

Local Chapter Notes



Join us for
❖ **MOVIE NIGHT**

“Rutterless”

❖ **WELCOME NEW MEMBER**

Todd and Samara Gouchman

We thank you for welcoming us into your lives during such a difficult time. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting so we can get to know you and your family. Please remember that you are not alone!

PLEASE NOTE: Love Gifts
All love gifts are now due by the 12th
of each month.

Memorial Event

**Andrew Jarzyk Memorial Foundation
Presents**

**1st Annual Andrew Jarzyk Memorial Golf Outing
September 28, 2015
Mercer Oaks Golf Course
725 Village Road West
Princeton Junction, NJ 08550**

MEETING INFORMATION

When:

August 3, 2015
The first Monday of each



Meeting Topic:

MOVIE NIGHT

Facilitators

Where:

Capitol Health Systems in
Hamilton



Newsletter Mailings

Thanks to **Yvonne LaEzza**
for mailing out the **August**
newsletters.

Refreshments

Thanks to all of our members
that bring refreshments to the
meetings each month.

August Birthdays

Eugene Anderson Newkirk

Tommy "Tomcat" Carroll

Sarah Ashley Ferguson

Joseph Michael

James Schuyler Huff-Miller

Tristan Tyler Lancaster

Vincent Mecca

Stella Rosina Paduano

Richard W. Jauss, Jr.

Sergio A. Bunda Shevlyakov

Sara Elizabeth Weakly

Carlos Sandra Villalobos

Jason Mark Engleman

Cynthia Ann Frankel

Brian Matthew Wood

Lori Anne Montieth

Son of Barbara

Son of Roger

Daughter of Cathy and Charlie

Son of Jennifer and Michael

Son of Amanda

Son of Marcia

Son of Rose and Nicholas

Daughter of Jonathan and Debbie

Son of Patti

Son of Olga and Sergio

Daughter of Roger and Stepdaughter to Jeanne

Son of Sandra and Carlos

Son of Joann and Jacob

Daughter of Maryann

Son of Barry

Daughter of Maryellen and William



Please let us know if you encounter an error in your child's listing and a correction will be made immediately.

August Anniversaries



REMEMBRANCE TABLE

Be sure to bring in a photo or special memento each month so that we can celebrate the memory of your son or

Edward John Anderson	Son of Irene
Brittany Berrios	Sister of Melynda
Peter Raymond Chiste	Son of Barbara and Ray
Andrew Alton	Son of Lois
Carleigh Marie Jones	Daughter of Brian and Stepdaughter of Rhea
Thomas Joseph (TJ) Manoy	Son of Patty and Thomas
Sarah Nowalinski	Daughter of Toni and Paul
Craig Robinson	Son of Marjorie and Ronald
Francis William Chaney Turton	Son of Sandy and Pastor Bob
Michael W. Wheeler	Son of Betty and Ray
Steven "Sonny" Bleicher	Son of Carole
Taylor Nicole Novatkoski	Daughter of Tiffany and Luis

With loving remembrance of our children not here but always in our hearts

A LOVE GIFT is a donation given in memory of a child who has died. It can also be in honor of a happy event that you would like to acknowledge. Your contributions can be in any amount, are tax deductible and are a source of income for our non-profit chapter. Checks can be made out to TCF Mercer and sent to: The Compassionate Friends, PO Box 3203, Mercerville, NJ 08619.

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Child's Name _____ Relationship to child _____
 Birthdate _____ Anniversary Date _____
 Amount \$ _____ Dedicate the newsletter in the month of _____

If you would like a picture of your child in the newsletter please email it to info@tcfmercer.org
 Please fill out the following for a two-line message that will be printed in the newsletter:

Every effort will be made to include your dedication in the month that you specify - please be sure to mail your information before the newsletter mailing. The newsletter is typically mailed one week prior to the monthly meeting.

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chapter Leader:	Shannon Pope	Since June 2014
Meeting Facilitators:	Various	
Remembrance Card Coordinator:	Gwendolyn Karro	Since April 2013
Correspondence Secretary	Toni Nowalinski	Since April 2012
Newsletter Editor:	Regina Thompson-Jenkins	Since March 2014
Treasurer:	Shannon Pope	Since May 2013
Event Coordinator	Shannon Pope	Since February 2012
Librarian:	Michael Stathis	Since January 2013
New Member Coordinator	Linda Silverstein	Since October 2012
Chapter Delegate:	Rich Narcini	Since March 2014
SCM Minutes:	Rich Narcini	Since February 2008
Web Master/Editor	OPEN	
Media Coordinator	Toni Nowalinski	Since December 2012

TCF Mercer Chapter Address:
 PO Box 3203, Mercerville, NJ 08619 **609-516-8047** info@tcfmercer.org or
 visit us online at www.tcfmercer.org

We want to thank and acknowledge the following for their generous support of our chapter and especially, our newsletter:

AUGUST'S LOVE GIFT

Dear Craig,
Those we love don't go away,
they walk beside us every day,
Unseen, Unheard, but always
near,
Still Loved, Still missed & forever
dear.

Love,
Mom & Dad

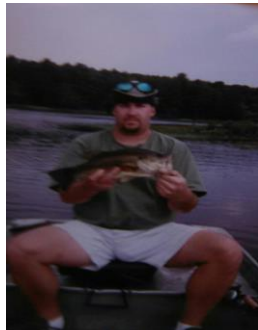
Don't expect everyone to understand your journey, especially if they've never had to walk your path.

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AUGUST LOVE GIFT

You were good and kind- Just like daddy.

Loved Eternally,
Mom



AUGUST LOVE GIFT

My Beloved Son Eddie,

My Heart still aches for you each and every day.

I Love You,
Mom
2/18/1976 - 8/20/2009



WALK TO REMEMBER THANK YOU!!!!!!!

The walk was a fantastic success!
Special thanks to all of the members and family/friends and their
hard work especially:

Shannon Pope for running this event

Everyone who helped to set up for the walk

Everyone who helped to clean up after the walk

Everyone who brought dessert and water

Everyone who brought personal items for the walk

Everyone who attended to honor our children

Graphic FX for providing us t-shirts in such a quick turnaround time

Texas Roadhouse for the catering the event this year.

**We thank all of the area businesses and individuals that helped to make the
Walk to Remember a wonderful success.**

We apologize for any omissions – if your name is not mentioned please know that we
greatly

appreciate all of your help and dedication to the group.



Capital Health System of Hamilton, 1445 Whitehorse-Mercerville Road, Hamilton, NJ 08619

From the North (New Brunswick and Princeton):

Follow Route 1 South to Quakerbridge Rd. Take the Quakerbridge Rd. Exit East. Go through approximately seven lights before you come to Route 33. Go through the intersection of Route 33 (Applebee's Restaurant will be on left corner). Street name changes to Whitehorse-Mercerville Rd. Go through three lights. CHS in Hamilton is on the left, immediately following third light.

From South Jersey:

Take Route 295 North to Exit 61 (Arena Drive). At the third light, make a left onto Whitehorse Avenue. Whitehorse Avenue changes to Whitehorse-Mercerville Road. Proceed on road for three lights. CHS in Hamilton is located on the right after the fourth light (#1445).

From the East (Freehold/Jackson):

Take Route 195 West towards Trenton. Exit at Hamilton Square. At the traffic light, make a left onto Kuser Rd. Follow Kuser Rd. for approximately two miles. The K-Mart Shopping Center will be on your left. Make a right onto Whitehorse-Mercerville Road. Proceed on Whitehorse-Mercerville Rd. through one more traffic light. CHS in Hamilton is on the right.

From the West (Ewing/Trenton):

Follow Olden Ave. East to Whitehorse Ave. Make a left onto Whitehorse Ave. Proceed on Whitehorse Ave. to Kuser Rd. (K-Mart Shopping Center). Go through the intersection of Whitehorse Ave. and Kuser Rd. The name of the road will change to Whitehorse-Mercerville Rd. Proceed on Whitehorse-Mercerville Rd. through one more traffic light. CHS in Hamilton is on the right.

From Pennsylvania (Route 95):

Take Route 95 North to Route 295 South to Route 33 East (Mercerville Exit). Follow to traffic light. Make a left onto Nottingham Way. You will need to be in right lane on Nottingham Way Make a right onto Quakerbridge Rd. Go through traffic light at Route 33 (Applebee's Restaurant will be on left corner). Street name changes to Whitehorse-Mercerville Rd. Go through three lights. CHS in Hamilton is on the left, immediately following third light.

When a child dies, at any age, the family suffers intense pain and may feel hopeless and isolated. The Compassionate Friends provides highly personal comfort, hope, and support to every family experiencing the death of a son or a daughter, a brother or a sister, or a grandchild, and helps others better assist the grieving family.



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Upcoming Meeting Dates

8/3 9/8 10/6 11/9
Meetings start at 7pm!