

# JULY 2016



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

## Local Chapter Notes



**❖ Walk to Remember**  
We had a great turn out for our walk. We had good weather, good food and great company. It was nice to see new families and those that have been with us a while. Lots of smiles and love felt and shared!

**❖ WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

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!

**MOVIE NIGHT**  
August 1, 2015  
"Rabbit Hole"

**Meeting information**

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**When:**  
July 11, 2016  
at 7:00pm



**Meeting Topic:**  
Open Discussion

Facilitator  
Shannon Pope

**Where:**  
Capitol Health Systems in  
Hamilton



Teddy Bears made from your  
child's clothing  
Susan Mazzela  
7524 Karley Ct.  
Fort Mill SC 29707  
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# July Birthdays



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

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|--------------------------|--|
| Daniel Alig              | Son of Marcia & Roger                          |
| Thomas Joseph (TJ) Manoy | Son of Patty and Thomas                        |
| Craig Philip Krosnick    | Son of Marie and Tom                           |
| Ira T. Charles Jr.       | Son of Carol and Ira                           |
| Alexander Arcuri         | Grandson of Mary                               |
| Philip D. Haun           | Son of Glenn and Darci                         |
| Tre' Lane                | Son of Regina and John                         |
| Thomas J. Kriegner       | Son of Kathy and Stepson of Nick               |
| Brielle Childs           | Daughter of Gwendolyn and Stepdaughter of Anti |
| Gianni Sodaro            | Son of Desiree and Albert                      |
| Patrick Ryan Mosner      | Son of Mary and Philip                         |
| Marc Tristan Hobbs       | Son of Ginny and Leon                          |
| Hale Alan Paul           | Son of Donna & Larry                           |
| Vance Shea Boakai        | Son of Morris and Selina                       |



## REMEMBRANCE

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

# July Anniversaries

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|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Daryl Tariq Jamison     | Son of Bettina                  |
| Owen Michael O'Brien    | Son of Carla and Jim            |
| Kristen Narcini         | Daughter of Anne Marie and Rich |
| Sarah Ashley Ferguson   | Daughter of Cathy and Charlie   |
| Stacie Stockton Petrone | Daughter of Gene                |
| Cory Carleton Golis     | Son of Jim and Jerri            |
| Gregory A. Solomacha    | Son of Marija                   |
| David Lewis III         | Son of Ellen and David          |
| Stephanie Van Hise      | Daughter of Joann and Carl      |
| Justin Paul Weckel      | Son of Shannon and Leonard      |
|                         | Grandson of Yvonne and Ted      |
| Laura Leigh Wilson      | Daughter of Kari & Tim          |
| Caroline Cauley         | Daughter of Trish               |
| Gail Michelle Herman    | Daughter of Marleen & Arnold    |

*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](mailto:info@tcfmercer.org)  
 Please fill out the following for a two-line message that will be printed in the newsletter:

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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
Newsletter Editor:	Shannon Pope	Since July 2016
Treasurer:	Yvonne LaEzza	Since May 2013
Librarian:	Michael Stathis	Since February 2012
New Member Coordinator	Linda Silverstein	Since January 2013
Chapter Delegate:	Rich Narcini	Since October 2012
SCM Minutes:	Rich Narcini	Since March 2014
Web Master/Editor	Rich Narcini	Since December 2015

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 visit us online at [www.tcfmercer.org](http://www.tcfmercer.org)

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

**JULY'S LOVE GIFT**

**Happy Birthday  
Tre' Devon Lane  
July 17- September 22**



Happy 23rd Birthday Tre'!  
"Our Hero"!!!

Those dimples and that big smile is missing from our family. The memories we shared will truly be treasured. We love you and truly miss you so much. Your legacy is making a difference in our community and with the scholarships we give out to students.

Your legacy will live on forever through us and your foundation.

[www.tdlane.org](http://www.tdlane.org)

Love,  
Mom, Mr. John & Our Family



Justin Paul Weckel April 1990 -July 2009

It's been 7 long years and yet it feels like yesterday. We love you and miss you every day! The graduations, weddings, and new family members that have happened and arrived since you left, each is joyful and painful, knowing you are not here to share them, although we all know your there in spirit, it's just not the same without you!

Love,  
Mom, Lenny, Jer, Ma, and your  
entire family!



The Compassionate Friends is pleased to announce that Scottsdale, Arizona, will be the site of the 39th TCF National Conference on July 8-10, 2016. "Hope Rises on the Wings of Love" is the theme of next year's event, which promises more of this year's great national Conference experience. The 2016 Conference will be held at the The Fairmont Scottsdale Princess. We'll keep you updated with details here, on the national website as well as on our [TCF/USA Facebook Page](#) and elsewhere as they become available. Plan to come and be a part of this heartwarming experience.

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

8/1 9/5 10/3 11/7  
Meetings start at 7pm!