

## Supporting Kidds

The Center for Grieving Children  
and Their Families



### Crazy Catwalk for Kidds: this Sunday March 4!

Come join us at this high-energy hair and fashion show. It's organized by J Christian Studio in Hockessin and raises both visibility and money for Supporting Kidds. Dr. Traynor and Dr. Spirito will both be on the runway this year - come cheer for them! This Sunday, 1-5pm at the Hockessin Memorial Hall, 1225 Old Lancaster Pike, Hockessin, DE 19707. Tickets in advance (\$5 kids/\$10 adults) or at the door (\$7 kids/\$12 adults). Details at: [Crazy Catwalk for Kidds](#)

### Want to learn more about Supporting Kidds?

Come to one of our free 1-hour tours. We will show you around the house, explain how we help grieving children, and talk about our plans for 2012. Upcoming tour dates: Wednesday March 28, 10-11am; Tuesday April 17, 7-8pm; Tuesday May 22, 12-1pm. Free - bring a friend! Please RSVP: 302-235-5544 or [cboncelet@supportingkidds.org](mailto:cboncelet@supportingkidds.org)

### Grant received for Hispanic Outreach

The New York Life Foundation, in collaboration with The National Alliance for Grieving Children, awarded us \$25,000 to expand our grief support services to Spanish speaking families. Right now, Dr. Traynor is the only bilingual staff member. This grant will enable her to be joined by bilingual therapists and volunteers who will reach out to the Spanish speaking communities. They will explain our services, offer programs about grief, and make presentations directly to families. The grant will also pay for translating all of our materials into Spanish. We expect bilingual services to be available by this summer. [El Tiempo Hispano](#), the bilingual newspaper of Delaware, has a feature article and a photo of our staff.

Thank you to The Carrington Family Foundation we missed them last month. How could we have left out The Carrington Family Foundation, a longtime supporter of Supporting Kidds? Thank you!

### Healing Pathways, our 6-week bereavement support group program, is now underway.

We have another full house for this successful program: 31 children

Save the date:  
Thursday May 10

Our annual *Party on the Patio* will be at the Vicmead Hunt Club, Thursday May 10, 6:30-10pm. It will feature a silent auction, live auction, great food, and entertainment. Our Honorary Chair is Mrs. Carla J. Markell. It should be another great event! Tickets will be available next month.

### Welcome new interns:

Brooke Davidson and Polly Reinicker are both Human Services majors at UD and will be helping our clinical staff this semester.

### Grief Training Provided

Our staff experts, Dr. Traynor and Dr. Spirito, spent an afternoon training 20 members of the mental health community on ways to use psycho-education, memorialization, and relationship-building to

and 21 parents/caregivers. The children are grouped with other kids their age, with 2 trained facilitators, and cover a wide-range of topics relating to their loss. They especially like interacting with children in the same situation as themselves. Like all of our programs, fees are on a sliding-scale basis, so our services are affordable for all.

help grieving children. This training was in collaboration with the DE Division of Prevention and Behavioral Health.

Regards,

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