



# Highlights

Home Hospice™ of Grayson, Cooke & Fannin Counties

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## Saddle Up!



### Didn't You Always Wanna Be a Cowboy?

Grab your boots for cowboy entertainer

**George Ray Russell (SHS 1958)**

An evening of BBQ & Cowboy entertainment



**May 21, 2011**

**6:00-9:30 PM**

**Sherman Municipal Ballroom**

Benefiting the  
Sherman Ex Student Association  
Scholarship Fund  
And Home Hospice of Grayson County

**Reserved tables of 8 -- \$600**

**Premium Reserved tables of 8 -- \$1,000** (on stage with George Ray)

**Individual tickets -- \$50**

**For information call us at 903-868-9315 or email [sherry.little@homehospice.org](mailto:sherry.little@homehospice.org)**



**Heloise to speak at Stop and Smell the Roses**

**Auxiliary Membership Luncheon on May 5.**

See article inside the newsletter.



# FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTOR



Frequently, people say that a new year brings the opportunity to make a fresh start – to do something you have always wanted to do, to become someone you always wanted to be. They are right. Right now, at the start of the new year, take a personal inventory and include in the questions you ask yourself this, “How will I endeavor to give myself away to benefit others and help myself to grow in ways I can only imagine?”

## Will you give of your time?

Someone who is dying would love your gentle presence. Consider bringing a smile, a laugh, a gentle touch, a hug – be a volunteer!

## Will you give of your talent?

Someone who is dying would love to tell you their story. Use your listening ears and creativity in our Legacy Project. Use your ability with needle and thread to make a Bear Hugs Bear.

## Will you share your financial resources?

Someone here, maybe next door to you, is dying without benefit of insurance or Medicare. Commit to support Home Hospice as we bring compassionate medical care and support to them. Make a donation, attend a benefit event, fulfill the wish list.

## Will you share your heart?

After working with donors and volunteers in many areas for more than forty years, I know you will find a *new you* in choosing to make a difference in the life of someone else.

For information on all of these opportunities, visit our new website [www.homehospice.org](http://www.homehospice.org).

— Sherry



Pictured is Jordon Lemming handing Sherry Little over \$400. For her birthday Jordon Lemming asked that she not receive any gifts from family or friends and instead if they would like to make a donation to one of the charities she picked out. Jordon is pictured handing her Home Hospice donation to Sherry Little. Jordon was accompanied by her birthday friends and family members who helped deliver the donations to charities in Grayson County. Sherry Little said to Jordon, “Thank you for choosing Home Hospice in celebration of your birthday as one of your charities of choice for donors. It was an honor for our organization to be chosen by a young lady with such a wonderful, generous spirit. You have an extraordinary outlook on life and have made a difference in many lives during this special time in your own.”

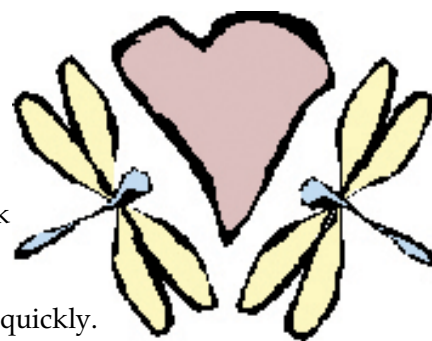
Home Hospice brought internationally known speaker Kathleen Rusnak to Grayson County College in November 2010. Dr. Rusnak is a speaker and author on death and dying topics and her website is [www.thebrickwall2.com](http://www.thebrickwall2.com). She made three presentations, one entitled “The World of Alzheimers” and two presentations entitled “Because You’ve Never Died Before.”



# CAMP DRAGONFLY



**A grief camp for children ages 8-12  
March 4, 5 and 6th  
All Saint's Camp on Lake Texoma**



This camp helps children, who have lost a significant person in their lives, work through their grief with activities which are guided by trained counselors. The child will be provided a framework in which the child can develop life-long coping skills for loss and grief. Many outdoor and fun activities help the children bond quickly. Registration required and there is a small fee to attend, but there are scholarships available. Contact Jolene Senek, 903-868-9315 or email [jolene.senek@homehospice.org](mailto:jolene.senek@homehospice.org).

## P.I.E. (PARTNERS IN EDUCATION)

P.I.E., a monthly program presented by a highly-regarded professional, is held the second Tuesday of the month at L.I.F.E. Center Specialty Hospital, 1111 Gallagher Road in Sherman, from 12-1p.m. Please contact Nancy Russell at 903-868-9315 if you have questions. Please check out website for updated information about P.I.E.

- February 8 – Dr. Winston Marshall, “Heart Health”
- March 8 – Karen Sylvester, Dietitian, “The Straight Skinny on Food”
- April 12 – Amy Shojai, “Aging Pets”
- May 10 – Vicky Lindsey, LCSW, “Relationships & How They Change”
- June 14 – Dr. Heidi Howard, DPT “55 & Counting: Exercising to Live”
- July 12 – Sue Peippo, RPh, “Medications and You”

Sponsored by Texas Health Resource Presbyterian WNJ Senior Passport, Texoma Council of Governments, Area Agency on Aging, L.I.F.E. Center Hospital, Texas AgriLife Extension Service and Home Hospice.

## HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Your tax deductible donation to Home Hospice, a 501(c)(3) organization, makes a positive difference in the lives of our patients. Monies donated will go toward patient and family care. Donations may be made with a credit card on our website, [www.homehospice.org](http://www.homehospice.org).

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Please return your donation, made out to Home Hospice, to our office or mail to the address listed on the address side of the newsletter, or donate online at [www.homehospice.org](http://www.homehospice.org).



# LIGHT UP A LIFE



Jesse Huerta is pictured with case manager Lisa Wappes, RN, and his immediate family in front of the tree.

On Tuesday, November 30, 2010, Jesse Huerta, an eight-year old patient on service, lit our Light Up a Life tree at Kelly Square with the Denison High School Choir and local pastors blessing the tree.

The Light Up a Life campaign raises funds so Home Hospice can fulfill its mission to provide the best end of life care to all who seek it regardless of ability to pay and to comfort all who grieve. The funds donated to this campaign go to direct patient care. Thanks to all who made donations this year. All donors are recorded in the Book of Lights, which is kept at the Home Hospice office. Those who made sponsorship level donations are listed in the newsletter. This year's campaign raised over \$83,000 in patient care funds.

Texas Star Bank  
Glenn Waller in loving memory of Peggy J. Waller  
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## Light Up a Life Sponsors

Listed are those who made a sponsorship donation to Light Up a Life.

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The Dorset Foundation

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Larry D. Shelton & family in loving memory of Judy F. Shelton  
Jay B. Simmons in honor of Sherry Little



*"I'd like to help, but....."*  
**VOLUNTEER TRAINING SCHEDULED**

Home Hospice is looking for a few good volunteers to make a difference in the life of a patient and his or her family by becoming a patient care volunteer. In this rigorous training you learn about hospice, spiritual concerns at end of life, how to support a caregiver, family dynamics and grief issues. A hospice volunteer is considered to be an integral part of an interdisciplinary team made up of physician, RN case manager, social worker, spiritual advisor and certified nurse assistant. A volunteer works as a good friend or neighbor to the patient and family by reading to the patient, visiting, and allowing family members to get deserved rest or run errands. Volunteers do not provide personal care to patients.

Dale Garner completed patient care training in 2009 and is glad he went through the training and became a volunteer. He enjoys visiting with the patients and says, "Barb, the Volunteer Coordinator, always does a good job matching me with the patients so it is a good experience for us. When I get a new assignment I can't wait to make my first visit so I can start learning the facets of that patient's life."

If you have ever uttered those words "I'd like to help, but..." please consider that you can make a difference in the life of a patients, their families and the community. This training is a wonderful life skills class that helps all who attend live a more fulfilling life. Come explore the possibilities and learn a lot about this phase of life. If you take the training, you are not required to become a

patient volunteer.

We ask that Patient and Family Services volunteers be a minimum of one year out from any loss experience of an immediate family member or loved one. This allows time to heal.

Dates for training are listed below:

**Volunteer Training in Grayson County**

Saturday, March 26 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 2 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Home Hospice Conference Room

**Volunteer Training in Cooke County**

Friday, April 29 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 30 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Muenster State Bank Conference Room

**Volunteer Training in Fannin County**

Friday, June 24 from 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 25 from 9:00-4:00 p.m.

American Bank Community Room in Bonham

More information is available by calling Barb Samuelson in Grayson County at 903-868-9315 or Kathi Kirby in Cooke or Fannin County at 940-665-9891 or checking our website [www.homehospice.org](http://www.homehospice.org). You may also email [barb.samuelson@homehospice.org](mailto:barb.samuelson@homehospice.org) or [kathi.kirby@homehospice.org](mailto:kathi.kirby@homehospice.org).



The Home Hospice Harmonizers, who work in various disciplines at our office, sing valentine songs to residents at Texoma Healthcare before Valentines Day. Pictured are Barbara Samuelson, Al Ellis, Sheryl Myers, JoCarolyn Chambers and Mary Williams.



Volunteers are pictured in training for the Eleventh Hour Program at the Sherman office.



Please join us for the annual  
**Stop and Smell the Roses Luncheon and Style Show**  
 Thursday, May 5 from 11:30 am – 1 pm

Wright Center, Austin College in Sherman  
 With Special Guest Speaker

**Heloise**

“Hints and Humor from the Heart”

Reserved Tables for 8 are \$250

Individual General Admission Tickets, if available, will go on sale after April 15 and the price is \$27.00

Call Jane Cantrell for table sales 903-814-0285 • Sponsored by the Home Hospice Auxiliary



*Heloise is an internationally known author, columnist and speaker. Her internationally syndicated column, Hints from Heloise, runs seven days a week in over 500 newspapers. She has written eleven books and is a contributing editor of Good Housekeeping magazine. She is frequently on radio and national TV.*



Auxiliary members, Jane Cantrell, Donna Bedgood and Chairperson Paula Cloud write notes to Light Up a Life sponsors.



The staff at Home Hospice participated in a tiny Christmas tree decorating contest in early December. After judging by the Board of Directors and others, the trees were delivered to many of our patients.



Pictured are Darlene Schweizer and Sue Malnory, dressed as pilgrims, who presented a “Thanksgiving Fact or Fiction” program at several of the Long Term Care Facilities in our area in early November.



Pictured are Auxiliary members Helen Schoeck and Midge Foster working on Valentine cards for our patients. A close up of one of the valentine cards is shown.



# 2010 GRAYSON COUNTY MEMORIALS

*Home Hospice acknowledges the many memorials and gifts that have been given. All gifts are tax deductible and acknowledged upon receipt. The individual whom the memorial remembers is in boldface. The following individuals were remembered and honored from October 16, 2010 to January 21, 2011. Every attempt is made to assure accuracy in recognizing donors. However; errors may occur. We ask for your assistance in correcting inaccuracies that you detect. Donations for building for Tomorrow Capital Campaign are not included in this list. Light Up a Life gifts are listed in the Book of Lights, kept at the tree and in the office. They are not included in the list below.*

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**Home Hospice to host TANO**

(Texas Non Profit Organization)

Home Hospice is pleased to host the free, non-profit seminars listed below. These seminars are open to all non-profits and churches are especially encouraged to attend. Membership in TANO is not a requirement.

- **Tuesday, April 26 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00**  
 The Four R's of Volunteer Management: Recruitment, Recognition, Retention = Revenue!
- **Tuesday, May 24 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00**  
 Finding Leaders Within (Module One of the *LeadershipPlenty* Series)
- **Thursday, May 26 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00**  
 Identifying Community Assets to Form Strategic Partnerships (Module Two of the *LeadershipPlenty* Series)
- **Tuesday, June 7 from 8:30-10:00 a.m.**  
 Breakfast and "State of the Nonprofit Sector"

TANO will send further information about the programs. If you would like to call TANO about these meetings, you may call Mary Beth Harrington, Director of Community Outreach at 514-381-1490. Their website is [www.tano.org](http://www.tano.org).



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**MEMORIAL  
SERVICE  
SCHEDULED**

**May 16th from 6-7:30 p.m. at  
Waterloo Park in Denison**

This service is for all the family members, loved ones and staff members who have lost loved ones whether or not Home Hospice cared for them. The service is a time of remembrance and celebration.



# YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND LEGACY TRAINING:

*A training of a life-time for yourself and for others*

## **In Sherman:**

February 17, 21 and 24, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Home Hospice office, 505 West Center Street in Sherman.

## **In Gainesville:**

March 1, 3 and 8, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Muenster State Bank in Gainesville.

Everyone has a story! - whether you were the first woman pilot for the American Air Force or successfully raised fourteen children without ever leaving Grayson County; whether you are a self-made millionaire or enjoy the riches of friends around the globe. Within the stories of what you did and who you are, are messages of wisdom and stories of how you lived and loved. What a gift to share that with your family for generations.

Volunteer Missy Sofey-Andrews says, "I have found that the Legacy Program of Home Hospice is very special. It gives you the opportunity to hear heartwarming stories of a person's life and write them so their family and friends will always be close to them. It is so wonderful that they give of their time to allow us to tell their story. I have truly been blessed by participating in this program."

You are invited to come to training for our Legacy Program to learn to do just that - for yourself and for others. Dr. Jerry Lincecum of Austin College's Telling Your Stories, along with volunteer coordinator, Barb Samuelson, will give you the information you need to help our patients record their own lives in book form. Pictured is one of the covers from a Legacy Book. We hope you will join us.

Call one of the volunteer coordinators at one of the numbers below if you would like to register or if you have questions:

Barb Samuelson, 903-868-9315 or [barb.samuelson@homehospice.org](mailto:barb.samuelson@homehospice.org)

Kathi Kirby, 940-665-9891, or [kathi.kirby@homehospice.org](mailto:kathi.kirby@homehospice.org)



## WISH LIST

Donations of items listed below enable Home Hospice to practice the good stewardship for which we are known and to use our resources in the best way possible. Please call in advance if you have a large donation so we can help you unload.

### PATIENT CARE NEEDS

Baby wipes

Ensure - all varieties, all flavors

Boost-High Protein or Carnation

Instant Breakfast

Inexpensive red or maroon towels

Polyester Fiberfill 16 oz bags (for Bear Hugs)

Bud vases and curling ribbons

Metal or plastic pet carriers for Pet

Peace of Mind

Battery operated 4 to 6" pillar candles

### OFFICE NEEDS

Blue ink pens

Zip Lock bags - quart and gallon size

Bottled water for events

Snacks for support groups

Toilet paper, tissues & paper towels

3 x 3 self-stick note pads

Coffee - regular and decaffeinated



Thanks to those who helped brighten our patients' Christmas.



# HOSPICE HUGS



Dr. Pamela Egner in Van Alstyne for providing discounted dental services to a patient.

Symantha Murray and Culinary Arts Class at Sherman High School for baking cookies that were delivered to nursing facilities at Christmas time.

Willie Steele and Sitescape for extra maintenance and care on our landscaping.

Dale Garner for shoveling snow on our side walks as well as putting coat hooks in the offices

Nan Jones & Joyce Robinson for their dedication in going above and beyond in their work on the memorials and donations.

Mark Tooley and Ron Vardeman for transporting and putting up and taking down the Auxiliary Light Up a Life tree.

Leland Samuelson, Steve Chambers, Judi Brandt, Lander Bethel, Tim Harkins, Robert Softly, Steve Kretzer, Juanita Carr and Tom Peel, all local pastors, for participating in the blessing of the Light Up a Life Tree, for the Denison High School Choir, under the direction of Mr. Sam Patty, as well as the staff at Kelly Square, David and Greg Tarvin, Jane Schulz and Frances Nelson as well as the dedicated Auxiliary under the leadership of Paula Cloud for a successful Light Up a Life campaign.

Kroger, Ray of Sunshine, Preston House and Texoma Healthcare Center for partnering with us on Petal Pushers and Hannah's Florist

for donating ribbon.

The Community – for their tremendous, ongoing help in supplying our wishes and needs listed in each newsletter and at Christmas.

All who helped to make Christmas special for our patients.

Dr. Morris from Brakebill Veterinary Clinic, Drs. Tidwell and Lawrence from Texoma Veterinary Clinic, Dr. Gray from Gray Veterinary Services and Hounds by Heidi groomers for partnering with us on Pet Peace of Mind.

American Bank of Texas employees for providing birthday cakes for our patients each month.

United Way of Grayson County.

Tony Giarraputo with Split Window Productions and Recording Studio for enabling a patient to professionally record songs on CD for his young child. Greg & David Tarvin of db Music for all their help.

The Home Hospice Harmonizers, Al Ellis, Sheryl Myers, JoCarolyn Chambers, Mary Williams and Leland and Barb Samuelson who sang "Love Songs" at a few of the long term care facilities before Valentine's Day.

Grayson 4-H Club for making valentine cards for our patients.

Dr. Tom Flick for his assistance with nurse education.

## BEREAVEMENT DATES FOR GRAYSON & FANNIN COUNTIES

Please check with Home Hospice prior to any of these events to confirm time and location. You may find out more information about the events by calling Jolene Senek at 903-868-9315, emailing her at [jolene.senek@homehospice.org](mailto:jolene.senek@homehospice.org) or checking our website [www.homehospice.org](http://www.homehospice.org).

### MARCH EVENTS

#### **What do I Say?**

March 1<sup>st</sup> from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Home Hospice Small Conference Room

This workshop is designed to help you know what to say or not to say to a grieving person and the value of being "simply present." Presented by Jolene Senek, LBSW, Bereavement Coordinator at Home Hospice.

#### **When Life Changes**

March 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, & 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:30-1:00 p.m.

Home Hospice Large Conference Room

Each week focuses on a specific topic related to the loss of significant individuals in your life.

- March 1—Loss of a parent
- March 8—Loss of a child
- March 22—Loss of a spouse
- March 29—Men only focus group

#### **Cooking for One**

March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, & 31<sup>st</sup>. from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Home Hospice Large Conference Room

A four-week workshop will be held to give you new ideas on how to cook for one. We hope to give you a fresh outlook on how you can enjoy food again while cooking for yourself.

### APRIL EVENTS

#### **Putting the Pieces Together**

April 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30 p.m.

Home Hospice Large Conference Room

A four week workshop which will address the practical needs/concerns that accompany grief—auto repair, home repair, travel & leisure on a budget and home and personal safety.

### MAY EVENTS

#### **Dinner & A Movie (P.S. I Love You)**

May 19<sup>th</sup> 6-8:30 p.m.

Home Hospice Large Conference Room

Join us for dinner, a movie that relates to grief, loss and a time for discussion relating fiction to reality.

### JUNE EVENTS

#### **Cooking for One**

June 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, & 30<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Home Hospice Large Conference Room

A four-week workshop will be held to give you new ideas on how to cook for one. We hope to give you a fresh outlook on how you can enjoy food again while cooking for yourself.

#### **Seasons of the Heart**

June 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, & 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Home Hospice Large Conference Room

This is a four week grief workshop offering insights on grief and coping skills including myths about grieving, factors that make our grief unique and healthy coping skills to name a few



# OUR STAFF AT WORK



The Home Hospice interdisciplinary team consists of a physician, RN case manager, nurse aide, social worker, spiritual advisor and a volunteer. Not all patients request services from each discipline. There are team meetings every Wednesday in which the patient's care is discussed to create a plan for their care. Over the year, the newsletter will feature the various disciplines on the hospice team.



Dr. Ronald Van Buskirk is medical director. He is an internal medicine and palliative care physician and graduated from Northwestern Medical School. He works at Home Hospice as a liaison with our referring physicians and supervises the care provided by our team. He also sees patients in their homes when it is time to be recertified by Medicare or if additional evaluation is needed. If a Home Hospice patient does not have a physician, "Dr. Van" is able to assume the role of physician. Michelle Gunn, LVN, (left) is a new member of our nursing staff. She graduated from Grayson County College. Michelle will work with our weekend team and in support of our RN Case Managers to visit patients

as needed to care for their symptoms and ensure their comfort. Vicky Lindsey, LCSW, (center) is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker who rejoined our staff on January 3 as the Director of Psychosocial Services. She received her bachelor and masters degrees from University of Nevada at Las Vegas. Additionally, Vicky has 15 years experience in hospice and has been in private practice with a specialty in grief work. Our social workers visit patients and families and offer support and non medical guidance to the entire family. Vicky will also be working with our Bereavement and Spiritual Care staff.

## Caregiver Support Group

The Caregiver Support Group meets the first Tuesday of the month from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. at the Denison Public Library, which is located at 300 W. Gandy in Denison.

This group is open to all people caring for someone with a chronic or ongoing illness. Paula Perkins, LBSW, a Social Worker, at Home Hospice, leads the group. If you have questions about the group, please call Paula at 903-868-9315 or [paula.perkins@homehospice.org](mailto:paula.perkins@homehospice.org).



The Eleventh Hour Program is a new service for patients and family members of Home Hospice.

The 11<sup>th</sup> Hour Program is offered if a patient or family member would like a volunteer to give comfort and a gentle presence during the last few hours of life.

The volunteers in this program are all Patient Care Volunteers and, in addition, have gone through additional extensive training in the final hours of the end-of-life experience.



The water feature in our Memory Garden is pictured on Wednesday, February 3.



# SPOTLIGHT ON OUR NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS



**Ed Reid** grew up in Sherman and has recently returned to Whitesboro with his wife Paula and his two schnauzers. He is very active in his church. Ed is a graduate of Fresno State University with a degree in Communication and Business. He has been in the banking business for 30 years. Currently he works as Vice President of Finance at Douglass Distributing. Ed says "I have seen firsthand the service Home Hospice offers, not only to the patient, but the family members as well."

**Virginia O'Hanlon** grew up in Minnesota, but moved to Texas as quick as she could! Ginny has a B.S. degree in accounting from Texas A&M University at Commerce and works in public accounting for Paula D. Mears, P.C. The most precious parts of her life are her husband, Adrian, and their sons-Adrian III, Ryan and Ross. They live in Gunter and are members of St. Mary's Catholic Parish. Ginny says, "I have seen firsthand the tremendous impact that Home Hospice has on people. It's been one of my favorite organizations for many years. My hope is that I will be able to 'giveback' more than I have received."



**Lou Emerson** grew up in Denison and graduated from Notre Dame University with a bachelor's degree in English. He graduated from the University of Houston Law School and has been in private law practice in Sherman since 1973. He and his wife Rui have three children and six grandchildren (with two more on the way.) Lou says, "I have always considered the hospice concept as being a unique way to help people at such a crucial time, not only for the terminally ill, but for their families and loved ones."

**Lyn Jostes** is also a new board member. He grew up in a small town north of Corpus Christi and received a bachelor and masters degree in accounting from The University of Texas at Austin and he is a CPA. He worked for Eastern Airlines before he and his wife SuAlice moved to Sherman in 1976, and opened the Burger King franchises in Sherman and Denison. He sold the business in 1995, and he and SuAlice enjoy travel. They have two grown children. Lyn says that his "initial interaction with hospice was in another community upon the death of my mother. I am excited about joining the Board of Home Hospice."



# Highlights

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## HFA Teleconference

The Hospice Foundation of America's annual teleconference is a wonderful opportunity to hear professionals in the hospice field. The topic this year is Spirituality and End of Life Care.  
Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-7:30 p.m.  
Texas Health Presbyterian - WNJ  
Please call Jolene Senek at 903-868-9315 or email her at [jolene.senek@homehospice.org](mailto:jolene.senek@homehospice.org) if you have additional questions or would like to register.

