

Pathways Hospice®

Community Care for Northern Colorado

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OUR MISSION

Honoring every moment of life, Pathways Hospice provides compassionate, excellent, comprehensive care for those who have an advanced medical condition and those who are grieving.

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A NEW PATHWAYS HOSPICE LOCATION IN WINDSOR

On August 2nd Pathways Hospice opened a clinically staffed Windsor Office at 1580 Main Street, Suite 2 in Windsor to better serve the needs of Western Weld County. Although Pathways Hospice has provided hospice care for these communities from a Windsor office for several years, many local residents were not aware of the availability of these services. The new easy-to-find office, located along Main Street

just west of King Soopers, is more conveniently located with noticeable access and plenty of parking.

The Grand Opening on September 9th was attended by 75 guests – healthcare colleagues, Windsor business owners, Windsor Chamber of Commerce members, Board members, volunteers, staff and friends of the agency.

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Evan Hyatt, CEO wields a pair of gigantic scissors at the Grand Opening Ceremony!

NEW PATHWAYS HOSPICE LOCATION

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The celebration included a warm welcome by Evan Hyatt, CEO, a blessing of the facility by Dennis Kaz, Chaplain, a guitar / vocal performance by Rachel Metzger, CNA, and a ribbon-cutting by the Windsor Chamber of Commerce. Pathways Expressive Arts Program pieces were on display and guests enjoyed appetizers provided by the Asian Pearl Bistro. This event was graciously sponsored by HighCraft Builders.

Kathy Anderson, long-time Windsor resident and Community Relations Representative for Pathways Hospice comments on the agency's role in Windsor, "In addition to providing hospice services to the community,

Pathways Hospice is committed to being an active participant in the Windsor community. We celebrate and help foster the success of local business owners as an Ambassador through our participation in the Windsor Chamber of Commerce, welcome new teachers assigned to Re-District, and participate in local activities and events." Several clinical staff members on the Windsor Team, numerous dedicated volunteers and a few members of the Board of Directors reside in Windsor and are actively involved in the community as well.

The Windsor Office provides a local resource and is available for those wishing to inquire about the hospice benefit provided by Medicare,

Medicaid, and most insurance plans. Information about hospice care, grief and loss support, groups and classes can be obtained by calling (970) 674-9988 or (970) 663-3500. If you would like to visit the new office and meet the caring, compassionate staff and volunteers who serve Western Weld county residents, please stop by for a visit.

PATHWAYS HOSPICE RECEIVES GRANT FOR GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT

Pathways Hospice was honored to be selected as the recipient of a \$20,000 Daniels Fund grant to support its mission of providing compassionate, excellent, comprehensive care for those who have an advanced medical condition and those who are grieving. "The grant will help enable our agency to continue to provide quality hospice care to residents of Larimer and western Weld counties, regardless of their financial circumstance," said Evan Hyatt, CEO of Pathways Hospice.

Bill Daniels, a pioneer in cable television known for his kindness and generosity to those in need, established the Daniels Fund to provide grants and scholarships in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming. For more information, please visit www.danielsfund.org. For more information about Pathways Hospice, call 970.663.3500 or visit www.pathways-care.org.

PATHWAYS HOSPICE NOMINATED FOR THE CITY OF FORT COLLINS 2010 HUMAN RELATIONS AWARD

On April 30th, at a recognition ceremony hosted by the City of Fort Collins, Pathways Hospice received a certificate nominating the agency for the 2010 Human Relations Award. As part of her nomination process Marcia McConnell Ranch, LCSW, interviewed Nancy Jakobsson, Director of Pathways for Grief and Loss, and Kim Mueller, Marketing and Outreach Executive. Based on these interviews and her experience at a Community Memorial Service hosted by Pathways Hospice, Marcia recognized our agency's efforts to promote acceptance and respect diversity. We were so impressed with the gentle words Marcia used to describe our mission and the thorough explanation of our services, that we've included her introduction of Pathways Hospice at the recognition ceremony for your review. Thank you, Marcia!



"Pathways Hospice has been providing hospice services for three decades. Just as babies are welcomed with kind care and attention at birth, Pathways Hospice strives to provide

quality support and care to persons transitioning from this life. Bereavement counseling and supportive services are provided to their families. Staff members are culturally sensitive and incorporate respect for diversity in their philosophy and practices.

This organization also demonstrates an embodied commitment to its employees' welfare, recognizing that quality service is founded on mutual respect and through fostering and maintaining a healthy work and personal life balance.

We're glad to have this opportunity to recognize the excellent work of Pathways Hospice staff and volunteers!"



AN UPDATE ON THE ZIMBABWE HOSPICE PARTNERSHIP

Pathways Hospice proudly continues our partnership with Island Hospice in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe! Our goal for the partnership is “to provide financial and medical resources and to build a relationship for the mutual exchange of information, ideas and encouragement in order to enhance all aspects of end-of-life care.”

Zimbabwe Note Cards

As part of our fundraising efforts, the committee created note cards from some of the photos that we took in Zimbabwe. These note cards are \$15 and come in sets of 8 – four images (Zebra, Elephant, Impala and Giraffe) and can be purchased at the front desk at Pathways Hospice. All proceeds benefit our hospice partner.



PLEASE NOTE: All funds raised through the efforts of this volunteer committee on behalf of Bulawayo Island Hospice are entirely separate from donations designated for the support of Pathways Hospice services for Larimer and western Weld counties.

Giving Twice Night


Shop at 10,000 Villages in Old Town Fort Collins on Tuesday, November 30th and 10% of the proceeds from that evening's purchases will benefit our Zimbabwe hospice partner. 10,000 Villages is an international, fair-trade store that presents unique and beautiful jewelry, home decor, gifts and more. They build long-term relationships with artisans that are based on mutual understanding and respect. You will truly be giving twice as you do your holiday shopping.

A Personal Visit


In April 2010, five staff and members of the Board of Directors travelled to Zimbabwe to meet with the staff and volunteers of Island Hospice. The entire experience was life changing for us all. We spent seven days visiting patients and gaining an understanding of the incredible challenges these wonderful people have in providing medical care in a country with such poverty and compromised infrastructure. Now that we are back, we are all super-charged to bring the story of Island Hospice to the community with the goal of raising awareness and – of course – funds. We have a presentation on the trip that we would love to bring to any community organization, church or private group - please contact Pathways Hospice if you are interested in scheduling a presentation.



Zimbabwe Travelers from left to right: Sarah Van Etten, Jane Anderson, Georgia Torson, Nancy Jakobsson, and Wilma Feeley.



10TH ANNUAL
DEBBIE BOOSE
 MEMORIAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT



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Rain, rain go away come again some other day! Despite the unseasonable rain, the 10th Annual Debbie Boose Memorial Tennis Tournament had a record number of 287 players. Thanks to the generosity of Miramont Lifestyle Fitness and Work out West, all

winners' bracket matches were moved indoors so the tournament could be completed. As the storm settled in, approximately 200 people huddled under tents at the Friday Night Dinner to enjoy the delicious meal provided by Carrabba's Italian Grill. Due to the weather, we were unable to hold the professional and wheel chair exhibitions and the free Quickstart Lesson for kids. We are committed to

improving the tournament for 2010, including weather contingency plans and activities for the whole family! Proceeds of over \$25,000 benefit the Pathways Hospice Care Center.

We are grateful to all of our supporters especially our major sponsors: SouthCo, Dellenbach Motors, Great Western Bank, Jorgensen Laboratories, Vision Financial Group, Volk and Bell Benefits, Banner Health McKee Medical Center, The Griffin Foundation and the Erion Foundation, as well as the many additional sponsors and volunteers who helped make the tournament possible.

BREAKFAST IN THE PARK 2010

To the delight of many of our friends and supporters at Pathways Hospice, *Breakfast in the Park*, a thirteen-year annual event, was reintroduced to the community on Saturday, July 31, 2010 after a three-year hiatus.

Under a blue Colorado sky, children and adults alike enjoyed this community event which included a buffet of locally-made breakfast items, foot-stomping bluegrass music by Storm Mountain, paddle boat rides, signatures by Colorado Eagles players, face painting by Best Face Painter, Storytelling by Lani and a memorial butterfly release.

In keeping with Pathways Hospice "Green Efforts", environmental goals included implementing policies and practices that promote resource conservation, composting, and waste reduction. Due to all of the hard work by volunteers, staff and community members; we diverted 89% of the

event's waste from the Larimer County Landfill, constituting a zero waste event.

Proceeds from *Breakfast in the Park* support a variety of programs to meet the needs of grieving children and teens. These programs include Forgotten Mourners (collaboration with school counselors facilitating grief support groups), Individual & Group Counseling (play therapy, art therapy, teen studio and children's groups) and Kids, Horses & Healing (a retreat for grieving kids with Hearts & Horses Therapeutic Riding Center). Janet Severance, Children's Grief Counselor at Pathways Hospice explains, "The need for support, understanding, and a variety of ways to express grief can make a tremendous difference in a child's life."

The breakfast was embraced by the local business community with major



sponsorship provided by: Advanced Medical Imaging, Antonio's Burritos Plus, Dellenbach Motors, Lightsource Creative Communications, NAIFA, Noosa Yoghurt, Otterbox, Poudre Valley Health Systems, Fort Collins Coloradoan, Vision Financial Group, Volk & Bell Benefits and Earl & Lis Sethre.

Additional support was provided by: Colorado Vista Landscaping Design, Columbine Health Systems, Front Range Event Rental, Gallegos Sanitation, Gibs Bagels, Great Harvest Bread Company, JAX Mercantile, LaMar's Donuts, Lucile's Restaurant, Mountain Kids, Mugs Coffee Lounge, My New Wings and Roberto's Salsa. We will look forward to seeing you there next year!

HOLIDAY CARDS NOW AVAILABLE FROM PATHWAYS HOSPICE



15 CARDS for \$15 ~ Proceeds Benefit Pathways Hospice

Artist : Emma Bridges

Emma participated in the Teen Summer Art Studio, a program designed for teens who are grieving the loss of someone who was significant in their lives. She is sixteen years old and enjoys soccer, cross country, art, cooking, gardening and photography.

Inside saying:

*Whatever is beautiful,
whatever is meaningful,
whatever brings
you happiness...*

*May it be yours
this holiday season
and throughout
the coming year.*



NEW HOLIDAY CD "NOEL" AVAILABLE IN NOVEMBER

Just in time for your holiday festivities and gift giving, the new Abby's Signature Concert Series CD featuring Dave Beegle (guitar), Christy French (piano), Dave Everitt (harmonica), Brian Frable (percussion) and Chuck Landgraf (percussion) will be available in early November. The Christmas Concert, the most popular in the series, is the basis for this CD which was created from the 2009

performances. CDs are a suggested donation of \$20 each and will be available from Pathways Hospice, Respite Care or at www.pathways-care.org. All proceeds equally benefit Pathways Hospice and Respite Care. The HOPE CD containing selected works performed by Christy French on piano and Will French on cello, are still available on a limited basis for a suggested donation of \$15 each.

Don't miss the 2010 Abby's Signature Concert Series Christmas Concert: Monday, December 20th, 10:00 AM and 5:30 PM

First Presbyterian Church
531 South College Avenue in Fort Collins

*Donations will be accepted for
Pathways Hospice and Respite Care*

PATHWAYS HOSPICE OFFERS ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY WAYS TO KEEP YOU INFORMED; WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HELP

While continuing to provide paper-based communications to those who prefer them, Pathways Hospice will increasingly use e-mail communications. Why?

- To reduce our impact on the environment, by printing and distributing less paper
- To deliver information in a more timely manner, without the delay of the mail system
- To support your preferences; many people prefer the convenience of e-mail
- To be fiscally responsible with contributions made by our donors, and improve funding for our many nonprofit initiatives

By the way, instead of using this paper form, you may choose to answer the following questions online at www.pathways-care.org/green.html

Please tell us your preferences for the following regular Pathways Hospice communications (please check one box for each of the following items):

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Newsletter: In Touch (our general newsletter)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Event and seminar invitations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Your complete e-mail address, e.g. yourname@yourdomain.com (please print legibly):

Please return this completed form, INCLUDING THE ADDRESS LABEL FROM THIS NEWSLETTER to the address at right. If you have already submitted your preferences, thank you! We appreciate your efforts to help us to be as 'green' and cost efficient as possible.

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YOU'RE INVITED TO A VINTAGE AFFAIR - A CLASSIC WINE TASTING ON SEPTEMBER 24TH

A Vintage Affair, presented by Wilbur's Total Beverage as a benefit for Pathways Hospice, is a classic wine and beer tasting offering attendees the opportunity to taste wines from around the world and local microbrews while sampling delectable foods in an intimate setting. This year's event will be held September 24th from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the Drake Centre. The evening will feature a delicious menu prepared by the Drake Centre and Vincent Heavenly Pies and Pasta. Guests will also enjoy music by the Tom Barbour Trio and a silent auction. The silent auction includes a Stanley Hotel getaway, a mountain getaway,

rafting trips, theatre tickets and much more. Premier items such as a 3 night stay in Playa Del Carmen and a New Belgium Cruiser Bike will be auctioned live. Tickets are \$45 each and are available for purchase at Wilbur's Total Beverage, Pathways Hospice and online at www.pathways-care.org. Special thanks to our major sponsors: Wilbur's Total Beverage, Drake Centre,

Vision Financial Group, Dellenbach Motors, Citizen Printing, Volk & Bell, Great Western Bank and Earl & Lis Sethre with additional sponsorship provided by Palmer Flowers, KUNC, Voggesser Family Trust, Allnutt, Vincent Heavenly Pies & Pasta, Dohn Construction, Vaught Frye Ripley and Right at Home.

