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SOMEONE I LOVE WAS MURDERED

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When Spider Webs Unite They Can Tie Up A Lion!

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CHAPTER UPDATES

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Albuquerque Chapter:

Tammi Lambert, representative of the Governor's office attended a meeting to present to Albuquerque Chapter information about victim rights in the criminal justice system – twenty-five/thirty persons attended that meeting. Three families followed up directly with Tammi Lambert as a result of that meeting.

Our new advocate, Patsy Vega had the opportunity to meet with chapter leaders in Hobbs, Roswell and Los Lunas.

We conducted a fundraising activity which raised \$750.00 in ticket sales for the auction of an art piece. Thanks to our anonymous donor for the signed art print "Coat of Many Colors" by Thomas Blackshear. We are currently working on another fundraiser with Corono Festival of Giving.

Update from our Dona Ana County Chapter

Chapter - The Dona Ana County Chapter meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Mesilla Valley Hospice Conference Room, 5:30 p.m. We are working in cooperation with the DWI Resource Center to put forth legislation to increase the penalty for vehicular homicide in DWI cases. This has been a changing process and we are receiving input from a number of people to effectively submit legislation that will make a difference.

NOVA - Donna Richmond, Chapter Coordinator was granted a scholarship to cover registration to the National Organization for Victim Assistance Conference on August 20th - 25th. She gave a successful presentation entitled, "The Family's Over There: A Victim Advocate's Response When Someone's Been Murdered." Approximately 140 people attended her presentation and materials were distributed to advocates from around the US and Canada.

Donna attended several presentations by speakers that she found to be full of valuable information!

Bygone

by James Bowie

When I touched
she passed between
as I knelt in the grass
head against cold stone
my breath
passing
the memories

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LOCAL HEADLINES

HAPPY 30TH CRIMESTOPPERS

Crime Stoppers started locally in Albuquerque, New Mexico when Albuquerque Police Department Detective Greg MacAleese asked local station channel 7 to air a re-enactment of the robbery and brutal murder of a UNM student Michael Carmen. He was gunned down during a robbery.

The airing, in fact, did generate a lead that solved the murder of Michael Carmen.

The program offers cash rewards to anonymous 'tipsters' who call in about a fugitive or other information pertaining to unsolved crime.

Today Crime Stoppers International has pro-



grams in all 50 states and 18 countries. It has helped to clear over one million cases and led to over 600,000 arrests. Albuquerque should be proud of it's involvement in this major success story that really makes a difference to our communities.

The Albuquerque Chapter of Crime Stoppers International (CSI) hosted the annual International Training Conference to the city.

The convention was held at the Hyatt Regency hotel Oct. 1-6.

NMSOH and the NM Chapter of The Compassionate Friends Light- ing New Mexico Candle Lighting on December 10, 2006.



This years event will be held at Milne Stadium in Albuquerque and will start at 6:15 pm.

Contact the NMSOH office for a copy of 2006 Candle lighting Flyer and registration form. If you have any questions you can also call for more information at 505-232-4099.

NEWS NMSOH

Officers:

- President: Patti March
- Vice President: Michael Roach
- Secretary: Lenora Tsinijinnie
- Treasurer: Clara Maberry

Members at Large:

- Ray Padilla, Donna Richmond & Ernestine Roach

NMSOH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 2006

Our 11th annual voting membership meeting will be held at the NMSOH office on Saturday Nov 18th. We need you there to help to determine the direction of NMSOH. This is a New Mexico Survivors of Homicide business meeting FOR YOU our members. We need your input!! Please plan to attend so your voice can be heard .

Contact our office at 505-232-4099 or toll free at 877-700-8500 to **RSVP or for more details.**

PATSY VEGA TELLS US ABOUT HERSELF!

Patsy Vega, Statewide Victim Advocate/ Volunteer Coordinator,

This is the first time I am speaking to the members since I came on board in April 2006. I'd like to say hello to all and tell you about myself. My background is as a victim's advocate and that is where my heart is. I feel privileged to be here because I am a survivor too.

Since April I have met with Chapter leaders in Hobbs, Roswell, Los Lunas, I facilitate the support group meetings in Albuquerque and

I attended some meetings with the Los Lunas Chapter. I am working on a support group for Navajo families in Gallup. I put together two floats representing NMSOH families in parades in Belen, and I have initiated a fundraising activity with churches in Prelate and Tome. I attend court sessions with families and have invited a representative of the Governor's office to present to Albuquerque Chapter information about victim's right in the criminal justice system. Since April, I have met with more than twenty new families seeking help for the loss

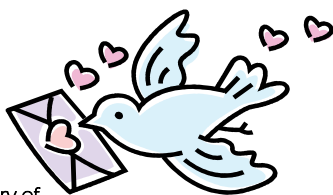
of their loved one.

My goals are to help families get what they deserve – their rights, provide emotional and information support as they deal with their loss, to help families sadly stuck by homicide to know they are not alone. I am looking forward to being successful in my work for New Mexico Survivors of Homicide.

Thank you for trusting me with this important job. I am available to each of you by phone and perhaps even in person.

Patsy Vega

LOVE GIFTS



Love Gifts from 04/2006—08/2006

Donor	In Memory of
Marcella Luna	Carolyn Sanchez 1/13/62 - 5/17/05
Rey & Viola Garcia	Luis Garcia 6/22/82 - 5/29/99
Bobby & Dora Munoz	Fabian E. Munoz 4/2/90 - 7/4/04
Joe B. & Gloria Benavidez	Jose Benito Benavidez 5/31/72 - 7/22/00
Eileen Cook	Sean Cordova 5/4/86 - 2/15/06
Pat Armstrong	Jeff Armstrong 11/15/52 -- 5/30/05
Felix Family – Grandparents	Jessie Felix 7/16/83 - 4-9-05
Margie Estrada	Calvin Pendell 3/5/57 - 3/1/05
The Murphey Family	Stephane Murphey 09/01/61—04/15/99

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Replacement by Jerikoh
 Your passing holds no interest
 for again I carry on
 empty on the inside
 I await another dawn.
 Endless searching for another,
 a substitute at best,
 someone I pretend is you
 in hopes that I may rest.
 Their arms offer no comfort
 no solace in their touch
 I pretend they all are you



WEBSITE FEEDBACK!

To: webmaster@nmsoh.org
 Subject: Feedback from a visitor!

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by

() on Monday, August 14, 2006 at 02:09:23

Comments: I've spent a lot of time on line looking for the answers to my loved ones death, answers I knew didn't exist. Still I searched because I didn't know what to do next. I instead started looking for ways to make this pain easier.

Your web sight, through the grief of others, helped me to start healing. Thank You Someone I love was murdered.

To: webmaster@nmsoh.org
 Subject: Feedback from a visitor!

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by

() on Thursday, July 13, 2006 at 13:16:37

Comments: I am so grateful to have a place to go to such as the Memorial Page to visit my son. It is also comforting to know that i can go on the website and share my thoughts and grief with others who feel the same pain without feeling all alone.

Ramona R. Flores



NMSOH is a tax -exempt Organization that depends largely upon private donations to cover operational expenses, but also seeks some funding. To give a donation please contact us. You may also donate to New Mexico Survivors of Homicide, through United Way, just write New Mexico Survivors of Homicide, Inc. on the line provided on their form.



NMSOH LOCAL CHAPTERS

Contact Person: Clara Maberry
505-877-6385

Las Cruces

6-8 wk Grief Study
299 E. Montana
6-8PM
Contact Person: Donna Richmond
505-526-3437

Las Vegas

3rd Wednesday of every month
6pm
Las Vegas Justice and Peace Center
719 6th St.
Contact Person: Helen Trujillo
505-425-6325 fax. 505 454-2588

Hobbs

2ND Tuesday of each month
200 E Park, Hobbs, NM
(Agnes Head Community Ctr)
Contact Person: Patsy Hodges
505-392-4541 (wk) / 505-392-7161

Alternate Contacts;
Wanda Kelton 505-392-7649
Janene Sanders 505-391-7340

Roswell

2nd Tuesday of every month
305 W. Tilden
5-7pm
Contact Person: Krystal Deason
505-317-5845 or 505-627-9239

Rio Rancho

Contact Person: Jan Horgan
505-891-0214

Taos

3rd Tuesday of every month
6-8pm
CAV 945 Salazar Rd.
Contact Person: Valarie Martinez
505-751-3992 or 770-8107

Tularosa

Contact Person: Cheryl Lowery
505-585-6450

Albuquerque

Every Tuesday night
12400 Menaul Blvd. NE, Suite 100
7-9pm
Contact Person: Patsy Vega
505-232-4099 or 1-877-700-8500 toll free

Clovis

1st Monday of every month
7pm
116 W. 11th, Clovis, NM
(Office of Charlotte Farkas, Counselor)
Contact Person: Jennifer McKinney
505-683-5320

Espanola/Santa Fe

For more info: Call Donna McNevin
505-753-4968

Four Corners/Farmington/Shiprock

3rd Thursday of every month
(schedule below)
Farmington:
Meet at Family Crisis Center 208 E. Apache St. 6:30-8pm
Contact: Gloria Vigil 505-272-5040
Sept., and Nov.

Shiprock

Bethal Christian Reform Church on the NE corner of the main
intersection. Nov. 6:30-8pm
Contact Person: Gloria Vigil
505-272-5040
Alternate: Patsy Vega 505-232-4099

Gallup

Call for meeting schedule
Jan... Mar... May, July, Sept, and Nov.
Gurley Hall, Unm Campus 6-8 pm
Contact Person: Gloria Vigil
505-272-5040

Los Lunas

3rd Wednesday of every month
Los Lunas Wellness Center
3445 Lambros Loop
6:30-8:30pm

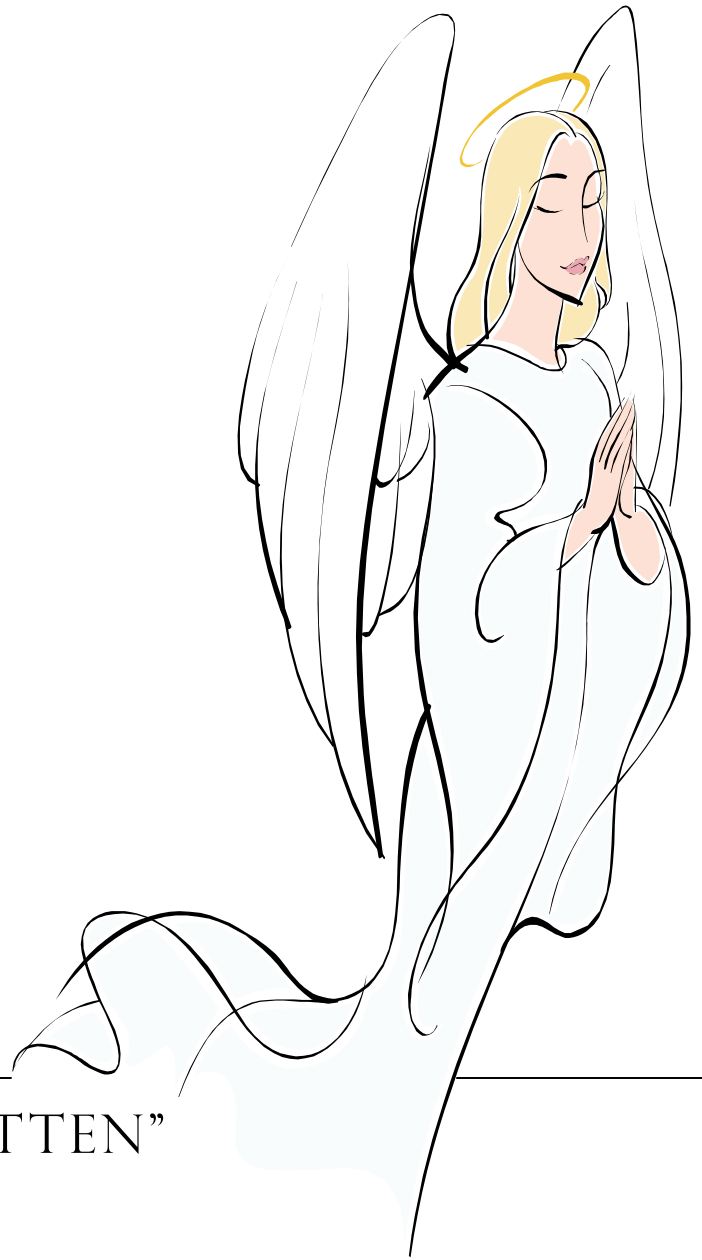
NMSOH is a support group for anyone who has had a loved one murdered.

REFLECTIONS

To One In Sorrow

*Let me come in where you are weeping, friend,
 And let me take your hand.
 I, who have known a sorrow such as yours, can understand.
 Let me come in—I would be very still beside you in your grief;
 I would not bid you cease your weeping, friend,
 Tears bring relief. Let me come in—and hold your hand,
 For I have known a sorrow such as yours, And understand.*

-Grace Noll Crowell



“GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN”

NMSOH LOVE GIFTS

DONOR _____

IN MEMORY OF _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

DATE OF DEATH _____

Make checks payable to NMSOH Love Gifts (no cash please) All donations are tax deductible. Your gift will be acknowledged in the next newsletter and a receipt will be sent to you for tax purposes.

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Special thanks to:

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Ray Padilla, Attorney at Law*

Are you ready to help out? We need volunteers. Contact Patsy Vega for details @ 505-232-4099 or call your local chapter!