Place Stamp

Pregnancy & Infant Loss Support, Inc.



"When you accept what has happened, you aren't acknowledging that it is okay but rather, that you know you must find a way to keep growing and living-even if you don't feel like it...[Don't let] grief be your constant companion...Realize that your grief is born out of unconditional love for your child and rejoice in that love which will never end... Embracing life again is not a sign that you have stopped missing your baby, but an example of a love that is eternal."

- WISCONSIN PERSPECTIVES NEWSLETTER, SPRING 1989

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Remembering the babies who have touched our hearts...

Martin Garcia December 22, 2008

Grace Merrill
December 23, 2008

Brynley JaNell Hamelin January 7, 2009

Braxton Xevin Cundquist January 12, 2009

> Aris Hinojo January 18, 2009

> Kade Bateman January 19, 2009

Kimberly Mae Tokanang January 23, 2009

Annastasia Jean Cooks January 31, 2009

Jackson Edward Cucas January 27, 2009

> Cevi Jackson February 7, 2009

Utah Share

March/April 2009



Support Meetings

Thursday March 5 , Davis Hospital Grief Resources 7:30-9:00 p.m. Classroom 2

Wednesday March 18, Mckay Dee Hospital Grief and Marriage 7:30-9:00 p.m. Classroom 4

Thursday April 2, Davis Hospital Grandparents Night *Grandparents and parents are welcome * 7:30-9:00 p.m. Classroom 2

Wednesday April 15, Mckay Dee Hospital Anger 7:30-9:00 p.m. Classroom 4

> Thursday May 7th, Davis Hospital Mother's Day Craft 7:30-9:00 p.m.

If you wish, please feel free to bring a memento of your baby to share, (Pictures, a stuffed animal footprints, poems, etc.)

More information about support meetings is

available at www.utahshare.org

Correction

Kenner Jackson Rausch was remembered as born November 14, 2008. His birthday is November 13, 2008 Remembering the babies who have touched our hearts...

Kate Harrop February 8, 2009

Chloe Cynne Walton February 8, 2009

Devin Scott Copez February 20, 2009



In Memory Of

Utah Share would like to express our condolences to the family of Matt Flinn.

Matt leaves behind two living children, Kaden and Grace, and joins his daughter,
Alexis Cheryl Jane Flinn.

Reminder

We still have a few hand and foot molds that need to be picked up. If you have not picked up your molds yet, please contact Tanya at 801-825-3578

Thanks!





Birthdays In Memory of



Thinking of you on your 4th Angel Day Xelsie Carolyn Plescia February 15, 2005 March 13 2005

"The best and most beautiful things in this world cannot be seen or heard, but must be felt with the heart." -Helen Xeller

You are forever in our hearts and on our minds! All my love, Nana Happy 3rd Angel Day Chloee Sube September 13 2005- February 15, 2006

Happy 2nd Birthday Bree-Elle Sube April 13, 2007-November 13, 2007

Cove, Big Brother Tyson, Mommy, and Daddy

I am responding to the question you had in the previous Utah Share newsletter about our favorite memory and thought I'd share the following:

My favorite memory of my pregnancy was reading a combined medley of Dr. Suess books to my unborn son. I've read this book out loud throughout my previous pregnancies too. The one line from this book that sticks out the most, now was from Horton the Who. When he says "A person's a person no matter how small". I loved sitting outside on a fresh spring day, smelling the cherry blossoms, reading out loud this book to my son, and rubbing my belly (yeah I know I probably looked funny). But he was my unborn baby boy....now he is my angel.

-Heather Merkley

"In a heartbeatA life is stilled
A dream dies,
And heaven
becomes amazingly real."
-Unknown



I Thought of You Today

I thought of you today, But that is nothing new I thought of you yesterday And will tomorrow, too.

I think of you in silence
And make no outward show.
For what it meant to lost you
Only those who love you know.

Remembering you is easy.

I do it everyday.

It's the heartache of losing you
That will never go away.

-Unknown

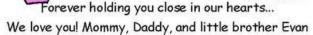




Donation in Memory of

Abigail Noelle Russell

Happy 2nd Birthday February 14



Thank you to Grandma Susan for sewing beautiful blanket packets made in memory of her granddaughter

Jacie Ann Zaugg

A big thank you to all the women from the Gailey Park
Ward in Kaysville for their hard work on the gowns,
blankets, and boxes worked on for their humanitarian
night. What wonderful workers they are! A special
thanks to Jackie Bateman and Toni Hansen for planning,
organizing, and getting material donated. Thanks ladies!
You are truly wonderful!

Thank you to Carolyn Batie for the beautiful crocheted gowns, hats, and booties made in memory of her great grand-daughter Kelsie Carolyn Plescia. Also, a very big thank you for the crocheted patterns she made/revised to share with others to make and donate to our little ones. Carolyn worked many, many hours to make sure we had a pattern to fit every little angel!

Thank you!

A special thank you to Richard Paul Evans and his staff for their constant support and book donations to Utah Share

Donation in Memory of

Claire Jordyn Thomas

by Bruce and Maria Weller

A big thank you for the money donations, fabric, and ribbon donated in memory of

Claire Jordyn Thomas

January 10, 2008

by
Adam & Linda Thomas
Matt & Lisa Phillips
Susan & Jim Thomas
Chick & Sherry Phillips
Sharon & Kerry Johnson
Staci Bingham
Tauni & Stephen Hill

The May/June newsletter deadline will be April 15. Please email any articles, poems, or announcements by this date to: newsletter@utahshare.org
Thanks!



Online Perinatal Loss Course

There is a self-paced class available online at: http://www.universalclass.com/i/crn/30475.htm There is no grade and you have six months to complete. The instructor is a psychologist who had a personal experience with perinatal loss. The cost to complete the course is \$35.

There are lessons that focus on realization-accepting the reality, expressing feelings in a healthy way, creating memories, reaching out support, and moving on. Plus links to other resources. This course was recommended by a Utah Share Parent, Heather Merkley. You can email her with questions at: hmerkley@weber.edu.





Safe Arrivals



Richard, Lenee, and Christian proudly announce the safe arrival of

Macie Rae Jones

Born January 31, 2009 7 lbs. 4 oz. 19 in.

Macie is watched over by her big brother Jerrin Benjamin Jones and Baby Jonesy

Matthew and Melissa Russell Announce the safe arrival of:

Evan Gerald Russell

Born March 14, 2008 8 lbs. 3 oz. 20 1/2 inches long What a blessing!

Ivillage.com has an online discussion board for parents experiencing a loss:

http://messageboards.ivillage.com/iv-ppstillborn http://messageboards.ivillage.com/iv-pppgloss

Utah Share Wish Cist

- Preemie sized clothing
- newborn sized clothing
- Volunteers to Crochet or sew gown Patterns

If you would like to donate, sew, or crochet clothes for Utah Share please contact Marci at 801-499-3663 or email:marci@utahshare.org

We are also in need of volunteers for hospital visits. If you experienced a loss over one year ago, you can be trained to support other families going through a loss. If you are interested, please email our volunteer coordinator at: rachael@utahshare.org, or visit our website utahshare.org, on the Volunteer link.

Thanks for your continued support!!!

If Only Our Children were Easter Eggs



If only our children were Easter Eggs, Hidden safely in the grass, We could search for them and pick them up, And hold them within our clasp, We'd have a heavenly Easter egg hunt, All with baskets in our hands, Searching with a broken heart. Only WE can understand. "Oh, look I found your child over here", They are so beautifully colored, And they sparkle and they shine... These aren't your usual Easter eggs, They each have their own special glow, That comes from way down deep within, Only a grieving parent would know. We gather up our special eggs, With excitement all around, For the gift that we've been given, For the treasure we have found. We all now stare with wonderment, At our children that have died. We want to hold them once again, And release them from inside. But we all begin to realize, We have to crack their beautiful shell, The one that makes them sparkle and glow, The one they have earned so well. We know we can't destroy their beauty, And take them from their place, So we give them an understanding kiss, As a tear runs down our face. One by one we take our baskets, With our beautifully colored eggs, And place them gently in the grass,

As we turn and walk away.

We look back in amazement,
As our eggs begin to sing.
We see them flutter and move about.
"Look, our eggs all now have wings."
Then the Golden Egg begins to speak...
"Your children are safe with me."
"Together for all eternity."
We stand there in a circle of love,
As we look up to the sky,
Watching our radiant eggs take flight,
Knowing our children didn't die.

-Author Unknown



National Share has updated their website.

Check it out at:

www.nationalshareoffice.com

Sibling Support Meeting

In June, we will be holding a support meeting for siblings. If your child or children would like to create a special message for their angel sibling, (a picture, or a poem) please submit them to newsletter@utahshare.org by

April 15. You can scan a picture, and save the graphic as a jpeg file. We will print the responses in the May/June edition of the newsletter.

