## Meadowlark Notes



#### Mother Teresa's Recipe By Dawn (Thorn) Phelps

Mother Teresa was born on August 26, 1910, in what is now Macedonia, previously Albania. Her original name was Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu, and she was the youngest child of her family. Her father died when she was eight, and her mother raised her Roman Catholic.

As a child, Agnes was fascinated with missionary stories. By the age of 12 she had decided to dedicate her life to religious work. She left home when she was 18 to become a missionary and never saw her mother or sister again.

After leaving home, she went to Ireland to learn English. In 1929 she went to India near the Himalayan Mountains to prepare to be a nun. She took her vows as a nun in 1937 and chose the name Teresa after the patron saint of missionaries. She enjoyed teaching children in India but felt a call to leave the convent and live among the poor.

She began her work with the poor in 1948, venturing into the slums of India. She became an Indian citizen and lived among the poor. She lacked funds but determinedly worked with the hungry, the homeless, the crippled, lep-

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Our Mission is to

provide loving,

compassionate care

for those living with a

life-limiting illness

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#### **Director Notes**

#### Why

Why? This is a question we have all asked. There are so many reasons we ask this question. We ask our children why they did not follow directions. We ask our employers why they are making a change. We ask why is it is our loved one that died. There are so many life situations that leave us asking why.

Hospice employees are often asked why they chose hos-

pice. The staff of Meadow-lark Hospice are individuals that have been called to hospice. I can see it in their eyes and hear it in their voices when we have care plan meetings. There is a genuine concern for the need to ease the burden of the patients and families we serve. Hospice to them is more than going through the motions of someone in the dying process. It is a connection

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ers, and the dying.

She established hundreds of schools, orphanages, and soup kitchens to serve the poor in 100 countries. She was loved by the religious and secular world. When she received the Nobel Peace Prize for her work with the poor and dying in 1979, she declined the invitation to attend the traditional ceremonial banquet and requested the funds be given to the poor in India.

"Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough. Give your best anyway."

When she received the prize, she was asked what could be done to promote peace in the world. And she replied, "Go home and love your family"—good advice for living. She died September 5, 1997, and the world mourned her death.

Agnes who became known as Mother Teresa had to face the death of her father an early age of eight. She chose to be a missionary and left home at the age of 18, never to see her mother and sister again. She sacrificed and committed her life to work she believed in.

-Mother Teresa

During her years working with the poor of India, she worked up-close with people who were hungry, sick, and dying. Through her 45 years of working in difficult situations, she learned lessons about life which she has passed on through her example, her writing, and her guotes.

Perhaps her many sad experiences taught her what is important and how to live life well. She wrote a poem entitled "Do It Anyway" which is below. It is a good recipe for life.



People are often unreasonable and self-centered.

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives.

Be kind anyway.

If you are honest, people may cheat you.

Be honest anyway.

If you find happiness, people may be jealous.

Be happy anyway.

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough.

Give your best anyway.

For you see, in the end, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them,





#### Mother Teresa

Mother Teresa will long be remembered for her compassionate work. She learned lessons about life after her own losses and hurts, and so do we. We, like Mother Teresa, can use our talents to help others. We can "give our best anyway," to make a difference for someone else.

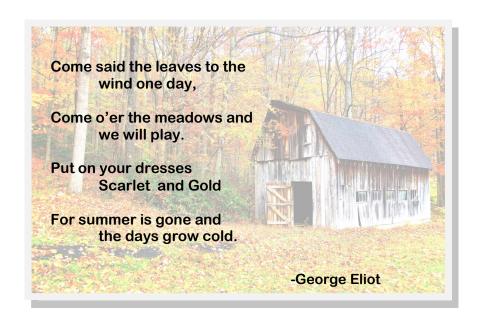
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with people facing one of the hardest journeys of their life. The journey that leaves families facing that hard why question. I am thankful that we have nurses, social workers, and volunteers that have been with our agency for several years. They have experience in working with families and are able to provide an extraordinary amount of support.

We are dedicated to providing support for the physical, spiritual, and emotional needs of our patients and families facing and end of life illness. Every journey is different and we respect the wishes of the patients and families as we support them through this time. Bereavement support is available to all family members that need care as they adjust to life after losing a loved one.

Hospice is the most unique kind of health care available. What hospice can provide is important to help meet the end of life wishes of the patients we serve. Being able to have supplies, equipment, and support to keep loved ones at home during this time is a way to ease the burden that families are facing. But, why we provide hospice care is a much deeper question. We provide hospice care because people matter. Having a nurse that works hours on end to make sure a patient is comfortable, a social worker that will provide support to a family, a volunteer that selflessly gives of his/her time to be a supportive presence, and a chaplain that will provide spiritual support in a way that provides peace. Meadowlark Hospice is devoted to "A Special Kind of Caring" to the families we serve. It is an honor to be asked to care for the families we serve.

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# **Calendar of Events**

Oct 8	1:00 pm	Concordia Volunteer Continuing Education				
Oct 8	3:00 pm	Belleville and Republic Volunteer Continuing Education at Republic				
Oct 8	6:30 pm	Concordia Bereavement Support Group (community-sponsored) - Episcopal Parish Hall, 117 W 8th - Call Judy Lambert 785-243-4454				
Oct 9	4:30 pm	Clay Center Bereavement Support Group - Meadowlark Hospice office				
		The Grief Support Group (community-sponsored)-Group has been discontinued. If you need support please call Terri Clark 785-325-3200				
Oct 15	11:00 am	Clay Center Volunteer Continuing Education				
Oct 16	9:30 am	Washington Volunteer Continuing Education				
Oct 16	Noon	Marysville Volunteer Continuing Education				
Oct 16	2:00 pm	Frankfort Volunteer Continuing Education				
Oct 18	5:30 pm	Belleville Bereavement Support Group - Library, 1327 19th Street				
Oct 25	4:30 pm	Marysville Bereavement Support Group - South Plaza of CMH - use N door				
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Nov 12	1:00 pm	Concordia Volunteer Continuing Education				
Nov 12	3:00 pm	Belleville and Republic Volunteer Continuing Education at Belleville				
Nov 12	6:30 pm	Concordia Bereavement Support Group (community-sponsored) - Episcopal Parish Hall, 117 W 8th - Call Judy Lambert 785-243-4454				
Nov 13	4:30 pm	Clay Center Bereavement Support Group - Meadowlark Hospice office				
Nov 15	5:30 pm	Belleville Bereavement Support Group - Library, 1327 19th Street				
Nov 19	11:00 am	Clay Center Volunteer Continuing Education				
Nov 20	9:30 am	Washington Volunteer Continuing Education				
Nov 20	Noon	Marysville Volunteer Continuing Education				
Nov 20	2:00 pm	Frankfort Volunteer Continuing Education				
Nov 22	4:30 pm	Marysville Bereavement Support Group - South Plaza of CMH - use N door				
Nov 26	11:00 am	Concordia Tree of Light/Memorial Ceremony - First Christian Church				
Nov 26	2:00 pm	Republic County Tree of Light/Memorial Ceremony - Belleville United Methodist Church				
Dec 1	11:00 am	Washington Tree of Light/Memorial Ceremony - Washington County Hospital				
Dec 1	3:00 pm	Marysville Tree of Light/Memorial Ceremony - Cambridge Place				
Dec 3	2:00 pm	Clay Center/Riley Tree of Light/Memorial Ceremony - Clay Center First Baptist Church				
Dec 6	7:00 pm	Frankfort Tree of Light/Memorial Ceremony - Public Library				
Dec 10	6:30 pm	Concordia Bereavement Support Group (community-sponsored) - Episcopal Parish Hall, 117 W 8th - Call Judy Lambert 785-243-4454				
Dec 11	4:30 pm	Clay Center Bereavement Support Group - Group will eat together - Meadowlark Hospice office				
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Dec 20	5:30 pm	Belleville Bereavement Support Group - Group will eat together, Place TBA				
Dec 27	4:30 pm	Marysville Bereavement Support Group - South Plaza of CMH - use N door				

### **Hospice Gifts & Memorials**

Your memorial gifts honor your loved ones and help others!

#### **HOSPICE GIFTS**

**Dolores Wassenberg** 

### **MEMORIALS**

BERNETHA BENEDA

Gary & Janice Beneda

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Randy & Marcia Johnson

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**DUANE BULLEIGH** 

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Meta Wendelken

**BEVERLY CHENEY** 

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Bev Cheney Memorial

Friends & Neighbors

Robert & Susan Johnson

Derele Knepper

Katheryn Mall

Robert & Vicky Mall

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The Family of Peg Weidman

Diana Walquist

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Shirley Geffert Memorial

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**MERLIN KELLER** 

The Family of Merlin Keller

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**ANNE D PETER** 

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**Dolores Warner** 

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The Family of Peg Weidman

**Henry Thomas** 

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**DELMAR WILSON** 

The Family of Delmar Wilson



# MEADOWLARK HOSPICE TREE OF LIGHT 2018

Please join us at the Tree of Light Ceremony in your Community

#### CONCORDIA

November 26th at 11:00 a.m.

1st Christian Church

REPUBLIC CO. @ BELLEVILLE

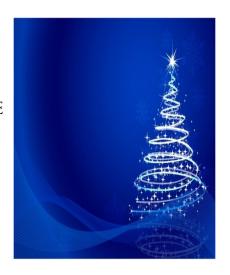
November 26th at 2:00 p.m.

United Methodist Church

WASHINGTON

December 1st at 11:00 a.m.

Washington Co. Hospital



MARYSVILLE
December 1st at 3:00 p.m.
Cambridge Place
CLAY CENTER/RILEY
December 2nd at 2:00 p.m.
First Baptist Church
FRANKFORT
December 6th at 7:00 p.m.
Public Library

Please tune in to KISS FM 94.9, KCLY 100.9 and Topeka television stations for cancellations

Your purchase of a memorial will aid Meadowlark Hospice in helping people live their final days with dignity and comfort at home, or a homelike setting among family and



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Tree of Light 2018

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All gifts are tax deductible.

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Enclosed	d is my contributio	n for mem	orials.		
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Please indicate a	t which Ceremo	ony you would li	ike to have you	r loved one repre	sented.
_Clay Center/Riley	Washington	Concordia	Frankfort	Marysville	Belleville





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We are available to present programs to area organizations!

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Nurse Practitioner – Michele Voelker, APRN

Program Director - Amy Burr, RN, BSN

Patient Care Coordinator - Deb Martin, RN, BSN

Hospice Staff Nurses – Stacy Behrends, RN, BSN; Debra Champlin, RN; Denise Gilges, RN; Deb Hedke, RN, BSN; Nedra Jones, RN;

JoAnn Lips, RN; Maria Seematter, RN; Sherry Wiese, RN

Director of Social Services - Kay Lynn Mead, LMSW

Social Workers - Kathryn Benson, LBSW; Stephanie Garrison, LBSW;

Jen Meier, LMSW

Bereavement Writer - Dawn Phelps, RN, LMSW

Bereavement Services Coordinator - Kay Lynn Mead, LMSW

Chaplains – Greg Doll; Rex Fuller; Kathy Ouellette; Al Paredes; Gerry

Sharp; Marilyn Sweet; Sr. Marilyn Wall

Volunteer Coordinator - Darlene Melton

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