

Three Trees

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THREE TREES ANNOUNCES PROGRAM CALENDAR FOR 2007-08

(Wichita, KS) - Three Trees, a center for grieving children and their families, has set their program calendar for September 2007 through July 2008. Support group service programs are offered free of charge.

Mending Lives is a *comprehensive grief support program* for children and their families who are grieving the death of a loved one. The groups meet consecutively for eight weeks from 6:30 p.m. until 7:45 p.m. on either Tuesdays or Thursdays.

Tuesday Night groups will meet: September 4 - October 23, 2007; October 30 - December 18, 2007; January 22 - March 11, 2008; March 25 - May 13, 2008; and June 3-May 22, 2008.

Thursday Night groups will meet: September 6 - October 25, 2007; January 10 - February 28, 2008; March 6 - May 1, 2008; and May 8 - June 26, 2008.

Families who have *completed* the "Mending Lives" support group are invited to participate in Monday Night Re-Connect. This group will meet the second Monday of each month, September through May, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. The first group will meet Monday, September 10, 2007.

Programs for families facing a life-threatening illness or those who have lost a loved one to homicide, suicide or other traumatic means are also available by appointment.

Volunteers choosing to work directly with children and their family as a group facilitator must be trained. Training sessions will be offered three times: August 25-26, 2007; January 12-13, 2008; and May 3-4, 2008. Continuing education credits are provided. Space is limited.

For more information about any of these programs or to learn more about Three Trees, please call 316/263-3335 or visit www.threetrees.org.

Three Trees provides support and a comforting environment for grieving children and their families. It is the only children's grief center in south-central Kansas. Since it opened its doors in the fall of 2000 over 1,200 children and their families have been helped through its age-appropriate support groups.

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