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Counseling resources with *family* in mind

THE CONNECTION

www.familyconnectionsinc.org

“There’s No Place Like Home”

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CLINIC—Call for information about our counseling services:

Weirton Medical Center
Medical Office Building
651 Colliers Way, Suite 412
Weirton, WV 26062
Phone: (304) 723-3423
Fax: (304) 723-3426
E-mail:
admin@
familyconnectionsinc.org

BROOKE PLACE—Call for a referral for residential group treatment for girls:

P.O. Box 348
Tent Church Road
Colliers, WV 26035
Phone: (304) 527-3303
Fax: (304) 527-3306
This facility is funded in part under an agreement with the Bureau of Children and Families, WV Department of Health and Human Resources
Email:
brookeplace@
familyconnectionsinc.org



Members of Family Connections Auxiliary are busy preparing for our eighth annual fundraising event, “There’s No Place Like Home.” The event will be held at the Serbian American Cultural Center, 1000 Colliers Way in Weirton on April 25, 2015 beginning at 6:00 PM. Come join us for great food, music by DJ Mr. Moe and the Music Machine, raffles, and a live auction. Contributions from local businesses and individuals led to the great success of this event for the past seven years. Proceeds directly benefit Brooke Place, our residential facility for teenage girls, and the future of our organization. We hope you will consider attending or giving to this worthy cause.

In keeping with our Wizard of Oz theme, we are offering four levels of recognition. You will receive eight (8) tickets for your donation of \$1,000 at the Ruby level; four (4) tickets for your donation of \$500 at the Emerald level; and, two (2) tickets for your donation of \$250 at the Silver level. Yellow Brick Road is the designated level for a donation of \$100, which is accompanied by publicity at the event and in press releases regarding the event. Publicity and public recognition is also offered for Ruby, Emerald and Silver donation levels. If you would prefer, donating goods or a gift basket for use as a prize in our raffle or auction is also appreciated. In addition to the levels of recognition, we are also looking for sponsors for ads to place in our event brochure.

Business card sized ad -1 3/4 “ X 3 1/4 “ is \$25.00

Half page ad -4” X 6 3/4” is \$40.00

Three fourths size ad-6 1/4 “ X 6 3/4” is \$75.00

Full page ad-6 1/4 X 8 1/4 “is \$100.00

Your attendance and any donation you may wish to give will be greatly appreciated by Family Connections and our Brooke Place residents! If you desire more information about Family Connections and our services, please visit our website at www.familyconnectionsinc.org or contact Jean Bartholow at (304) 527-3303. Thank you for your support.

Brooke Place Wish List

Gift cards for girls’ birthdays	Underwear—all sizes	White twin sheet sets
Pajamas—S,M,L,XL	Mesh bags for large laundry baskets	White washcloths
Slippers	Batteries, all sizes	Toiletries
Regular white towels	60 watt light bulbs	Standard Size Pillows
Toilet paper, paper towels		Twin Blankets



AUXILIARY NEWS

FAMILY CONNECTIONS Car & Bike Show

MERCY BAPTIST CHURCH
3474 Pennsylvania Ave., Weirton, WV
Sat. July 18th

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT GARY WILLIAMS 304-479-7663

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AMAZING GRACE PILLOWCASE

A chance meeting at a local fabric store became a bonding between a staff member and a woman with the same vision and goal in mind. Helping others. Mary Albaugh founded Amazing Grace Pillowcase on April 30th, 2013. She named this program Amazing Grace in honor of her Father and his favorite song. Mary’s mission is to bring comfort and happiness to sick children and others by giving them a colorful pillowcase made with love to brighten their day, like a little ray of sunshine. Mary, along with members of the life skills program, will be guiding our residents in sewing pillowcases for two local nursing homes. In addition to a donated pillowcase, they will be making their very own pillowcase.

This group has donated over 3,600 handmade pillowcases to various local hospitals, homeless centers, veterans homes, and nursing homes.

With your help we can continue to “Spread a Little Sunshine One Case at a Time!!



RESIDENT OF THE MONTH

The Brooke Place resident for the month of March 2015 is JL. She was voted for this honor by other residents because they recognized the important role she plays in their lives. The following is some examples of why JL is so special.

She is a leader. She thinks before acting and gets along well with everyone. She gives good advice, is a good and loyal friend, and is easy to talk with about issues. She's always willing to help others and stays out of drama/negativity. She doesn't hold grudges. She tries to remain positive through most situations, is cheerful, and tries to make others feel good about their self. She offers support and asks peers if they need anything when they are feeling down.

Congratulations JL



Counseling Awareness Month

At Family connections, children, adolescents, and adults will see licensed professionals to discuss the stressors that impact functioning: changes in relationships, loss of loved ones, financial hardships, and work/school environment. Over time, specific symptoms can appear and may be related to:

Depression	Anxiety
Addiction	Attention and Concentration
Trauma	Anger
Relationship conflicts, including marriage	

For counseling information or to make an appointment call:

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Email: admin@familyconnections.org

With motivation for change, talking to a counselor can help.

MISSION STATEMENT

Family Connections is committed to helping individuals function to the best of their abilities by engaging the resources that exist naturally within their family and community. Interventions provided by Family Connections are theory-based and are guided by the principle that the individual is best treated within the context of their family. Family Connections is dedicated to the care, welfare, and respect of families and the individuals who comprise them.

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By giving a contribution in memory of or in honor of a family member or friend, many generous people have found a way to express their caring spirit while investing in the lives of those served by Family Connections.

In Honor of Paul Wack by Carolyn Schafer

**In Appreciation to all who have made a donation in my honor
and who have offered prayers during my illness—Cathy Sobel**

In Honor of Jean Bartholow by Tim Cain, T.C. Auto

In Honor of Carolyn Schafer by Joanne Dobrzanski

**In Honor of Joanne Dobrzanski with birthday love from Katie and Jesse
Reisner and Linda Kellough**

In Memory of Drucilla Blankenship by Cathy Sobel

In Memory of Paul Wack by Joanne Dobrzanski

**In Memory of Drucilla Blankenship by Betty Satterfield, Dave West,
Dora Smith and Jean Bartholow**