

Educational Support

For all events please RSVP to the WPS office (616) 538-0101 or info@wpsgr.org

Holding On/Letting Go

Daytime Support Group
Tuesday, July 9, 2019
12:00 Lunch, 12:30 Meeting

Consider arriving early to join the facilitators during the lunch hour to allow more time to share your stories with each other. (Bring your own lunch).

Facilitators: Lorraine Thenikl and Jim Readwin

Location: WPS Office, 4211 Clyde Park SW, Wyoming, MI

Directions: West of 131, north of 44th Street; park in the lot with the State Farm sign at the top and walk up the sidewalk between the two buildings to the second floor on the left.

Dealing with Myself, My Kids and My Family on My Grief Journey.

Evening Support Group
Friday, July 12, 2019
6:30 pm

No time for dinner? Please feel free to join volunteers and others for a bite to eat before the meeting, 5:30 pm in the deli at Family Fare Foods next to First and Main.

Facilitators: Beverly and Bob Van Heide

Location: First & Main of Metro Village, 5812 Village Dr. SW, Wyoming, MI

Directions: Enter through the front entrance. Meeting room on the left.

One is a Whole Number: Being Comfortable Being Single

Evening Support Group
Tuesday, July 30, 2019
7:00 pm

Facilitators: Kim Slupe, Carol Drake and LEEANNE DAGLOW

Location: Knapp Reformed Church

4025 Knapp St. NE Grand Rapids, MI 49525

Friend-To-Friend Lunch

Tuesday, July 30, 2019
12:00 pm
(Cancelled)

Due to low attendance, the meetings will be cancelled on July 30th and August 27th. We will resume in the fall.

Hosts: Peggy Hayes and Sandra Conley

Location: WPS Office

July Social Support: Newly Widowed

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THIS MONTH'S SOCIAL SUPPORT LUNCH/DINNER

Sunday, July 7 @ 5:30 PM

Location: Cracker Barrel
4340 Kenowa
Grandville, MI

Wednesday, July 17 @ 1:00 PM

Location: Woody's Press Box
5656 Clyde Park SW
Wyoming, MI

Monthly social activities are coordinated by WPS volunteers who have been widowed. Social activities sponsored by WPS are intended for those who are current support group participants and still actively grieving. Our goal is that by attending social events, an important component to your grief journey, you begin to gain confidence in life as a single person and you expand your horizons beyond WPS. WPS holds to the view that once a person is dating or remarried, they are through their grief journey and therefore no longer need the support of social activity (primary) services of WPS.

Join this friendly group for an afternoon of fun and friendship. WPS encourages you to take this opportunity to make new friends who are going through the same loss you are, to help you through the grief process. This event is for those who have been widowed in the last two years or are actively attending support group meetings.

July Social Support: Independent Social Opportunities

The following activities are being held independent of WPS programs. WPS encourages the maintenance of friendships gained through participation in our services. If you have Widowed Persons Services helpful, these opportunities may be of some interest to you as you integrate and adapt into your life as a single person. Please call or emails contacts listed below to RSVP and for further information. As a non-profit organization, your \$25.00 contribution to the newsletter renewal enables WPS to inform all current and past participants on all support and social opportunities and helps provide the newsletter to those who have become recently widowed.

Line Dance Lessons At Gilda's Club

Monday July 8 & 22 at 7:30 pm
With new instructors Mary & Beth from Ramblewood. Thank you to Linda Ziebarth!
RSVP: 135shylock@gmail.com

Golf Scramble!

Tuesdays: July 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 at 10:00 a.m. start time
Location: Ironwood Golf Course
3750 64th St SW
Byron Center, MI 49315
RSVP: 135shylock@gmail.com
Please be there by 9:30 to draw for teams.

Come join us at Wedgewood Park in Grandville to enjoy LIVE and FREE entertainment!

Wednesday July 10th from 6 to 8 pm.

Music by Don Middlebrook & the Pearl Drivers a Jimmy Buffet Tribute Band.

Grab a blanket, pack a picnic (or purchase dinner at the park).
Hope to see you there!

Potluck, Cards, and Game Night

Wednesday, July 31 at 5:30 pm
Location: Knights of St. Casimir/6th Street Hall
649 6th St. NW Grand Rapids
RSVP: 135shlock@gmail.com

Burgers or Polish Dogs \$7.00.
Bring a small side dish to pass or dessert.

Walking Program

Thursdays: July 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 10:00 a.m.
We will meet in the parking lot at Lemery Park 4050 Byron Center Ave. SW Wyoming, MI 49519 (Rogers Plaza if rain)

Upcoming Highlights Fundraiser Golf Outing



July 9, 2019
Thornapple Pointe Golf Club
7211 48th Street SE Grand Rapids, MI 49512

11:00 am registration with a noon shotgun start. Four-person scramble. \$150 per golfer, which includes 18 holes of golf, cart and practice facilities. Following the round of golf, it's cocktails with a grilled barbecue dinner with awards and raffle prizes. Get your team together and come join the fun filled day!

Please call the office to register or if you are not a golfer but would like to attend **volunteers are needed** throughout the day. Please come join the fun!

Celebrate our 41st Anniversary by volunteering or attending NAIFA-GRAND RAPIDS 32nd Annual Golf Outing Fundraiser on July 9, 2019. We need your help in making this event a success. The monies raised by NAIFA support half of the WPS yearly budget. Without their generosity, we would not be able to continue the support offered throughout the year. Consider volunteering and enjoy this fun day outdoors and the great people and food! We need greeters, tee event facilitators, registration and other miscellaneous tasks. Lunch and dinner provided for all volunteers. Remember this event funds half of the WPS budget. It's a fun day to share with participants and WPS volunteers.

Contact the WPS office at (616) 538-0101 for more information.



WPS Potluck Picnic

Please join us for our annual social-support picnic

Whistle Stop Park
2120 76th St SW, Byron Center

Friday, August 23, 5:00 p.m.

Bring a side dish to share!



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Third Annual Shishewana Day Trip
Tuesday September 3rd
More info in the August Newsletter!





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Our Mission

Widowed Persons Service (WPS) is organized exclusively for the purpose of offering supportive services to those individuals in the greater Grand Rapids area who have suffered the loss of a spouse through death.

Our Vision

To provide actively grieving widowed men and women a safe and healthy environment in which to process their grief, resulting in an enriching life as a single person.

Our Process

WPS offers each grieving individual peer-to-peer support based on the belief that a widowed person is best helped along his/her grief journey with the help of other widowed people who have had similar experiences.

AmazonSmile

You can support WPS by making purchases on Amazon. Amazon donates 0.5% of the prices of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. To sign up, login at smile.amazon.com and select **Widowed Persons Service- Wyoming**, found under the search box at the top of the page.

WPS Updates

Stay updated with Widowed Persons Service online:



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WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

Please reach out to friends, family, and local business owners. Ask them if they would be willing to put together a basket or make a donation for our silent auction or other fundraisers. Single donated items can also be used for our fundraising events. Tell them a little about WPS and the impact it has had in your life.

Suggested items: Manicures, beauty items, Lego sets, Made in Michigan items, Gift cards to restaurants, Ice Cream Shop gift cards, Sporting event tickets, Cigars, Golf Items, Theatre tickets, Coffee Gift Cards, Bakery Gift Cards, Bottles of wine/liquor, MSU or U of M Items, and Movie Gift Cards.

WPS is a 501 (C) (3) Non-Profit Organization. EIN: 38-243690.

All donated Items will be receipted for tax purposes.

DON'T MISS OUT!!!

July 8th, 2019

Lunch/Dinner Social Fundraiser 11 am-8pm

City Barbeque is generously donating 25% of sales all day to WPS. Invite your family and friends out. The food is delicious! You won't be disappointed.

Widowed Persons Service Fundraiser July 8th, 2019

