# Hope Happenings

#### **Hope Alive Happenings**

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#### Mission

Bringing hope and encouragement with Christ-like love to emotionally hurting people.

### Hope Alive Banquet - Mirro Center

Monday, November 18, 2019 Silent Auction Preview 5:00 Dinner & Program 6:00



We are looking forward to the banquet again this year and sharing the exciting things that God is doing at Hope Alive!

Here is a sneak peek at this years' silent auction:

- ✓ A trip to Napa ValleyVera Bradley merchandise
- ✓ Many gift certificates to some of Fort Wayne's finest restaurants
- ✓ Items for your home And much, much more!

Not only will you be able to enjoy a great meal, most importantly, you will have an opportunity to hear and celebrate stories of lives that God is restoring through Hope Alive.



Fort Wayne's' own local talent, Tom Didier, will be singing at the banquet this year. Tom Didier was born and raised in Fort Wayne. He is actively involved in his church and sings at many community events. Most notably, he sings the national anthem at home games for the Fort Wayne Komets hockey team.

Tom is married to Mary (Gabet) Didier and has three children: Paul, Paige, and Lauren.



#### A WORD from the Director...

I was reminded this morning that as human beings we all have an expiration date. Now, it's not posted on our packaging so we cannot even begin to know when we will take our final breath. Only our Creator knows "the number of our days." The average life expectancy in the United States is approxamately. 78.9 years. But we all know people who are far exceeding that age and many who have died much younger. We must realize



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many things will change, but a lot will not change. The world will still be busy. The plans we had and the things on our calendars will go undone. All our texts and calls will go unanswered. All the things that we have continued to regret will be in the past where they should have been anyway. Our image, our reputation, and our superficial worries about appearance will no longer be important.

Those who truly loved us will feel cheated, feel a void, and not feel ready to let us go, just as we have felt when losing those we love.

So, today I purpose to stop squandering and worrying about the minutia of this world. I purpose to concentrate on spending my time and energy to affect a difference in other's lives in a way that brings them to a closer walk with Jesus. I purpose to not let others opinion of me rob me of who I I know God created me to be. I purpose to be less concerned about my image and more concerned

about my impact for Kingdom work! I purpose to worry less, love more, and share the Good News of Jesus thru my life. [excerpted from John Pavlovitz]

#### VOLUNTEER-DRIVEN ORGANIZATION

We could not offer the services we do without the continued devotion of our faithful volunteers.

We have two gentlemen (who wish to remain nameless) who come in once a week for about 4 hours and keep our properties in great repair. We have ladies who volunteer to clean the offices, do office work, work events, and do our counseling. Those men and women who serve on our Board of Directors do so out of a conviction that Hope Alive should continue fulfilling it's Mission. There are a myriad of other responsibilities shouldered by volunteers that we would have to pay for without their willingness to serve.

For example: just a few weeks ago Paragon Landscaping came and cleaned out all the bedding areas, mulched, trimmed bushes and then built a deck for our ladies to sit outside and socialize.



#### 2019 GOLF OUTING A HUGE SUCCESS

God surely arranged the first really great golfing weather for the same day as Hope Alive's Golf Outing. The food



was wonderful, the atmosphere was full of fun and laughter, and the raffle items and door prizes were exceptional!

River Bend Golf Course is always welcoming and helpful. Thanks to the sponsors listed on the banner in the picture and the 27 teams who participated; this year was our best year ever. Thank you so much.

#### **Supporting Hope Alive Made Easy**

- The traditional, write a check and mail it to us, certainly works.
- Give thru PayPal on our website.
- A monthly automatic withdrawal from your checking account.
- Name Hope Alive in your will in a bequest.
- Contact your financial advisor/bank to arrange for a Qualified Charitable Contribution from your IRA to Hope Alive. In addition to the benefits of giving to **charity**, a QCD excludes the amount **donated** from taxable income, which is unlike regular withdrawals from an IRA.
- Get a head start on 2020 and consider a sponsorship or team for our tenth annual Golf Outing.
- No Donate items for the the 2020 golf outing for door prizes or a large item for the raffle.
- Nonate items that can be used at our Banquet for the silent auction.
- Make us your not for profit choice on Smile.Amazon.com (Call the office if you need assistance in doing this.) It costs you nothing but a portion of your purchases go to Hope Alive.
- Make us your not for profit choice at Kroger by signing up once a year and a percentage of what you spend will be sent to Hope Alive. It does not take away anything from your Kroger gas points. Krogercommunityrewards.com. Enter NPO number YG817 to select Hope Alive.
- Do you have a Hall's Restaurant Scrip card? If you eat there even once a month, Halls will donate 5% of your tab to Hope Alive! Such a blessing! They also do this when you purchase any catering or carryout. Many other restaurants will also do this but you must ask—local businesses are pleased to support local charities which are endorsed by their local customers.
- Donate items on the NEEDS list on the insert, which helps us conserve on our financial resources.

#### **TESTIMONIAL**

My name is Jennifer and I was asked to tell you my story as to how I became part of Hope Alive.

First of all, I am not an alcoholic, I have never been abused, and I am not a drug addict. I am a woman that got into some financial difficulties and needed a place to learn how to become independent again.

Since coming to Hope Alive about six months ago, I am learning again how to become an independent individual. The staff are amazing, When you find yourself having difficulties in either your personal or financial life, they are there to help and guide you. All of the main staff individuals are unique in their own special ways. These ladies make you accountable and help you to reach the goals you have set for yourself. You learn to take back who you are.

I am grateful for Hope Alive and what they are able to offer women in their times of difficulties. Thank you





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## Hope Alive Banquet Monday, November 18, 2019

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