Bo's Place proudly observes **Children's Grief Awareness Day** on the third Thursday every November. Bereaved children are often referred to as the forgotten grievers. Many feel isolated in their grief and are unaware that they are not alone. Children's Grief Awareness Day, which will be observed this year on November 17, is an opportunity for our community to show children that they are not forgotten - that there are people who care and support them providing hope and healing.

We invite you to participate in raising awareness for grieving children with these simple steps:

**Step 1** - Follow Bo's Place on Facebook and Instagram and share our Children's Grief Awareness Month posts. Use the hashtags #bosknowsgrief, #helphealhearts and #heartforchildren.

**Step 2** - Wear **BLUE** on Thursday, November 17. As a show of support for Children's Grief Awareness, take a picture with your colleagues and friends with a
sign "No child should ever have to grieve alone" and post it on social media.

Together we can raise awareness of the needs of grieving children and ensure that no child should ever have to grieve alone.

HATS, HEARTS & HORSESHOES
A Kentucky Derby Affair

The Inaugural Hats, Hearts and Horseshoes (A Kentucky Derby Affair) will take place on **Saturday, May 6, 2017** at a private home in River Oaks. We are thrilled to announce this year's chairs, Megan and Luke Hotze and Hannah and Cal McNair. In addition, Meredith and Patrick Chastang and Susan and Charlie Neuhaus will serve as our honorary chairs. Save the date and plan to join us for this fun afternoon event with all things Derby. Come dressed in your Derby best and you might win bragging rights for "Best Hat." Sip mint juleps and cheer on the best fillies as they take to the starting gate. Guests will enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres and a live band until the Run for the Roses gets underway. Tickets and tables go on sale soon.

Contact Andrea Sivells at andrea@bosplace.org to be put on the list for when ticket and table sales go live!

Workshop: The Long Term Impact of Grief
In our next workshop for mental health professionals, guest speaker Mary Beth Arcidiacono, LMSW from the Child Trauma Academy, presents "The Long Term Impact of Grief". Join the discussion on how we can support children and adults who are grieving after sustaining a deep loss.

**Date:** Friday, November 11  
**Time:** 9:00 am - Noon  
**Cost:** $45 with 3 CEUs; $30 without CEUs  
**Location:** Bo's Place

For questions, contact Valencia at valencia@bosplace.org or 713-942-8339.

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**Happenings**

On October 5, Board Member and Outreach Committee Chair, Debbie Gregg, and Development Coordinator, Rina Ocampo, attended the Halliburton Charity Vendor Fair.
On October 6, volunteers from Avison Young fulfilled their commitment to their annual "What a Difference a DAY Makes, Day of Giving" by completing a variety of projects at Bo's Place. They made a huge impact with the work they did, from completing school book bags to planting flower beds!

October 15-16 was our first Spanish Volunteer Facilitator Training and these remarkable bilingual volunteers are ready to help heal hearts for Bo's Place families.

On October 27 and 30, we had a full house as volunteers attended training for Camp Healing Hearts. We can't wait to see the healing, joy, and fun created by this team when we go to camp at the end of November.
At Bo's Place, we believe that enabling grieving families to share their experiences with each other helps these families navigate the grief journey and move towards hope and healing. We offer free Grief Support Groups in English and Spanish to families and individuals.

*If you or someone you know would like information about Bo's Place Grief Support Groups for children, families, and adults, [click here](#) or call 713.942.8339.*