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NEWS RELEASE

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Volunteer Counselors Sought For Children's Bereavement Camp

(Moorestown, NJ) This summer, Moorestown Visiting Nurses & Hospice will present Camp Firefly for grieving children at Camp Ockanickon, Medford NJ. This three-day, two-night bereavement camp will start on Saturday, August 23, and conclude on Monday, August 25, 2008.

The overnight camp is open to children ages 7-14 who have lost a parent, sibling or any special person through death and are still coping with grief.

Campers will spend three days in a caring, nurturing environment with The Hospice of Moorestown VNA's team of grief professionals and counselors, as well as peers who have had similar experiences. Traditional camp activities such as swimming, boating, hiking, arts & crafts and cookouts will be combined with specialized bereavement activities designed to help the children overcome their grief and to cope with the loss of their loved one.

Volunteer counselors ages 21 and up are being sought to assist during the camp. Counselors may volunteer for the full three-day, two-night period, or may elect to volunteer for a single day, bringing a special talent or activity to the children. Junior counselors, ages 14-20, are also being sought. Junior counselors will work in an office environment, preparing materials for the camp. Those interested in volunteering may call Arlene Meyers, Volunteer Coordinator, at (856) 552-1300, extension 2181.

Community support for Camp Firefly has been generous this year, enabling South Jersey children to attend at no cost to their families. Key supporters for 2008 include The Build-A-Bear Workshops Bear Hugs Foundation, Holman Enterprises and the Stewart Family Foundation. For information on how an individual, community group or corporation can donate to Camp Firefly, contact Beth Coyle, Director of Development, Moorestown Visiting Nurses & Hospice, at (856) 552-1300, ext. 2201.

Moorestown Visiting Nurses & Hospice is currently accepting applications for Camp Firefly. Limited spaces are available. For more information contact Moorestown Visiting Nurses & Hospice, Camp Firefly Specialist, at (856) 552-1300, or visit www.moorestownvna.org.

See photos below.



Children at Camp Firefly receive support following the death of a loved one. Camp Firefly is a program of Moorestown Visiting Nurses & Hospice.
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