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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Volunteer Counselors Sought For Children's Bereavement Camp**

(Moorestown, NJ) This summer, Moorestown Visiting Nurse Association will present Camp Firefly for grieving children at Camp Matollionequay, Medford NJ. Now in its fifth year, this three-day, two-night bereavement camp will start on Friday, August 27, and conclude on Sunday, August 29, 2010.

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 volunteer counselors, as well as peers who have experienced a similar loss. Traditional camp activities such as swimming, canoeing, 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. Adult volunteer counselors will stay at Camp Matollionequay during the entire 3-day, 2-night period and will participate in all activities with an assigned group of children. Junior counselors, ages 16-20 are also being sought to help out on-site during the camp. Young volunteers, ages 14 and up, may choose to support bereaved children by working in the

offices of Moorestown VNA, preparing materials for the camp weekend. Appropriate training will be provided for all volunteers. Those interested should call the Volunteer Department, at (856) 552-1300, extension 2181.

Camp Firefly provides a place to remember lost loved ones, and a place to heal. For complete information about Camp Firefly and other available bereavement support services, contact Moorestown Visiting Nurse Association.

Founded in 1904, Moorestown Visiting Nurse Association is a non-profit organization that provides homecare, hospice, counseling and community wellness services to families in Burlington, Camden and Gloucester counties. To learn more call (856) 552-1300, email: [services@moorestownvna.org](mailto:services@moorestownvna.org), or visit [www.moorestownvna.org](http://www.moorestownvna.org).



Camp Firefly volunteer counselors spend time with children participating in traditional camp activities and offering grief support following the death of a loved one. Camp Firefly is a community-supported program provided by Moorestown Visiting Nurse Association.

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