

Peterborough Butterfly Run Unveils Lending Libraries

- Books for individuals and Families Available Free of Charge at Multiple Locations Across Peterborough -



October 10, 2018 – Earlier today the Peterborough Butterfly Run organizers, along with partners GPHSF, Your Family Health Team Foundation and the Partners in Pregnancy Clinic, unveiled their lending libraries that will be available to borrow free of charge for individuals at multiple locations across Peterborough. The group also highlighted the National Day of Remembrance for Pregnancy and Infant Loss, which takes place this coming Monday, October 15th and asked that those looking to mark the date stand with them in solidarity by wearing purple, a butterfly or their Peterborough Butterfly Run race shirt.

“We are so grateful to be announcing the eleven books and six sites that we have secured to act as lending libraries for people across the community,” said Mary Orpen, Chair, Peterborough Butterfly Run. “We have been working with the Partners in Pregnancy Clinic and GPHSF, Your Family Health Team Foundation, over the past year to select these titles and secure locations to ensure they could be easily

accessed by those who need them most. The library includes books for individuals, mothers, fathers, and siblings and are free of charge to borrow from any location.”

In addition to the lending library, the Peterborough Butterfly Run also shared information on a scheduled healthcare providers education day that they are sponsoring next month in partnership with the Peterborough Family Health Team, the Partners in Pregnancy Clinic and GPHSF, Your Family Health Team Foundation. Resolve Through Sharing (RTS) is the gold standard in Perinatal Bereavement Care and offers healthcare providers an opportunity to learn additional skills to support individuals and families who have experienced a loss.

“The Peterborough Butterfly Run has received so much support in the community since its inception just 2 years ago and we are very pleased to be able to share the initiatives that will help support individuals and families that have experienced a loss,” said Kelly Ross, Peterborough Butterfly Run. “Creating a space for dialogue and a sense of community have been among our key goals. Statistics show us that 1 in 4 pregnancies end in loss and we hope to be able to create a safe space where we can all come together, share our stories and honour our losses as a community. There is an opportunity to recognize this next Monday, October 15th with the National Day of Remembrance or Pregnancy and Infant Loss and we would ask that anyone wishing to mark the day join us by wearing your Peterborough Butterfly Run race shirt, a butterfly or the colour the purple.”

The Executive Committee of the **Peterborough Butterfly Run** was brought together through a common vision and the good fortune of local connections and was formed in the summer of 2016. The committee consists of Mary Orpen, Kelly Ross, Jennie Vanier, and Tammy Sargeant. More information is available at ptbobbutterflyrun.ca

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Peterborough Butterfly Run Lending Library

Titles featured include:

Miscarriage Mom by Kristi Parisi

Ghostbelly by Elizabeth Heinman

Empty Cradle, Broken Heart: Surviving the Death of Your Baby by Deborah L. Davis

Surviving the Loss of a Child by Elizabeth B. Brown

Grieving Dads: To the Brink and Back by Kelly Farley & David DiCola

Trying Again: A Guide to Pregnancy after Miscarriage, Stillbirth and Infant Loss by Ann Douglas

Joy at the End of the Rainbow by Amanda Ross-White

Loving Your Baby by Shari Morash

Big Brother to an Angel (picture book) by Holly Hunt

We Were Gonna Have a Baby But had an Angel Instead (picturebook) by Pat Schweibert

Extra! (Picture book) by Kaeleigh MacDonald

The lending libraries will be located at following locations:

Partners in Pregnancy Clinic
Suite 302, 170 Simcoe Street, Peterborough

Peterborough Family Health Team
5th Floor, 185 King Street, Peterborough

The Peterborough Public Library
345 Aylmer Street, Peterborough

The Medical Centre
Dr. Christine Dallaire's Practise
707 Charlotte Street, Peterborough

The Peterborough Clinic
Dr. Brian Harrington's Practise
26 Hospital Drive, Peterborough

Kawartha Community Midwives
295 Stewart Street, Peterborough