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January 2005	
Wednesday January 19, 2005 9:00 AM-4:30 PM	Caring in the Face of Serious Illness and Loss: Commitment, Compassion and Community All-Day Professional Conference Co-sponsored by The Shira Ruskay Center and The Jewish Healing and Hospice Alliance Hebrew Union College One West 4th Street, New York City Cost: \$75; full-time students \$50 For more information call 212-399-2685 ext. 228 or e-mail bmamber@jbfcs.org
February 2005	
Wednesday February 2, 2005 CANCELLED	"The Cultures of Caregiving" Third in a series of four informal discussions based on the book "The Cultures of Caregiving: Conflict and Common Ground among Families, Health Professionals, and Policy Makers." Carol Levine, M.A., Thomas Murray, Ph.D, editors Facilitated by Jane Nusbaum, M.A. Sponsored by The Westchester End-of-Life Coalition
Thursday February 10, 2005 7pm	PUBLIC POLICY FORUM Legislator Amy Paulin and Advocate David Leven will address current end of life and palliative care policy issues at the state government level. The forum is open to all. There is no charge to attend. Location: Slonim House at Sarah Lawrence College. For directions, please go to www.sarahlawrence.edu . To register: Please contact us at info@westchesterendoflife.org . (Please write "public policy forum" in the subject line). Sponsored by The Westchester End-of-Life Coalition

March 2005	
<p>Thursday March 31, 2005 8:45 AM-1:00 PM</p>	<p>It Takes a Community: Jewish Approaches to Loss and Bereavement</p> <p>3rd Annual Bereavement Conference for Rabbis, Social Services Professionals and members of the community</p> <p>Keynote Speaker: Rabbi Jack Reimer, Central Synagogue, New York City</p> <p>Presented by Plaza Jewish Community Chapel</p> <p>For further information, call Stephanie Garry, 212 769-4400</p>
April 2005	
<p>Wednesday April 6, 2005 7:00-8:30PM.</p> <p>Light refreshments at 6:30 PM.</p>	<p>"The Cultures of Caregiving"</p> <p>Last in a series of four informal discussions based on the book "The Cultures of Caregiving: Conflict and Common Ground among Families, Health Professionals, and Policy Makers." Carol Levine, M.A., Thomas Murray, Ph.D, editors</p> <p>Facilitated by Jane Nusbaum, M.A.</p> <p>Sponsored by The Westchester End-of-Life Coalition</p>
<p>April 16, Campaign Launch</p> <p>Ongoing. By appointment</p>	<p>"Everybody Needs A Proxy" A campaign to promote the signing of Health Care Proxies</p> <p>The goal is to help people think about their health care wishes, whom they would want as their health care agent, and to assist in completing a Health Care Proxy.</p> <p>First stage targeting person 18 years and older living, working, meeting and studying in zip code areas 10707, 10708 and 10709 funded by The Community Fund of Bronxville, Eastchester, Tuckahoe, Inc.</p> <p>To schedule a volunteer to come to your place of work, congregation, civic group or other community to inform and assist you with New York State Health Care Proxies, please contact ATakano@Westchesterendoflife.org .</p> <p>A Westchester End-of-Life Coalition initiative</p>

May 2005	
<p>Tuesday May 10, 2005 8:30–11:00 AM</p>	<p>Fifth Annual Clergy Breakfast</p> <p>Key note speaker: Dr. Ken Doka, Professor of Gerontology, College of New Rochelle</p> <p>Location: The Crowne Plaza Hotel, 66 Hale Avenue, White Plains, NY.</p> <p>All clergy in Westchester and Putnam Counties invited.</p> <p>Free of charge - Registration required.</p> <p>Contact Rev. Steven Botha, Coordinator of Pastoral Care, Hospice Care in Westchester and Putnam, Inc. (914) 666-4228, Ext. 326.</p> <p>Sponsored by Hospice Care in Westchester and Putnam, Inc.</p>
June 2005	
<p>Tuesday June 7, 2005 7:45 AM–5:00 PM</p>	<p>Crossing Over Jordan: African Americans and Care at the End of Life</p> <p>A day-long symposium focused on the African American community and care at the end of life. This event is both a celebration of a community's rich cultural traditions surrounding death and dying and an examination of the challenges it faces in improving care at the end of life.</p> <p>Featured speakers: Karla F.C. Holloway, Ph.D.; Richard Payne, M.D.; Harold P. Freeman, M.D.; Bishop Simon Gordon.</p> <p>Presented by The Duke Institute on Care at the End of Life, Visiting Nurse Service of New York, Continuum Hospice, and Calvary Hospital.</p> <p>The Riverside Church, 490 Riverside Drive at 122nd Street, New York City</p> <p>Registration Fee: \$45</p> <p>For more information, call 919-660-3553 or e-mail iceol@div.duke.edu . Additional information is available at http://www.iceol.duke.edu/events/jordan2005.htm</p>

<p>Wednesday June 15, 2005 6:00–8:30 PM</p>	<p>PALLIATIVE CARE SYMPOSIUM/WORKSHOP</p> <p>To learn about choices in the care of those dealing with life-threatening illness and diagnosis.</p> <p>Topics: Symptom Management, Advanced Directives, Spirituality, Family Conversations about Death and Dying, How to Talk With Children about Life-Threatening Illness.</p> <p>Presented by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Social Work Committee of the Westchester End-of-Life Coalition • Gilda's Club Westchester • NYU School of Social Work - Westchester Campus • Westchester Jewish Community Services <p>Gilda's Club Westchester, 80 Maple Avenue, White Plains, NY</p> <p>Open to professionals and the general public.</p> <p>FREE OF CHARGE–DINNER SERVED</p> <p>For information or to RSVP, contact Julie Willstatter at 914.644.8844 or jwillstatter@gildasclubwestchester.org .</p>
<p>October 2005</p>	
<p>Tuesday, October 25 9:00 am–noon CANCELLED</p>	<p>Volunteer Training Session 1 (of 2) for the “Everybody Needs a Proxy” campaign</p> <p>The Everybody Needs a Proxy campaign continually trains volunteers who go out in the community and educate people about the importance of having a Health Care Proxy. The training for volunteers requires attendance at a 6-hour course, given in two separate sessions, each running three hours.</p> <p>The training session educates you about advance directive laws in New York State, familiarizes you with Health Care Proxies and trains you to give talks in the community as well as to do peer counseling with community members who would like help to complete a Health Care Proxy.</p> <p>Cost: free.</p> <p>Gilda's Club Westchester 80 Maple Avenue, White Plains</p> <p>Registration is required: To register, please contact Akiko Takano at ATakano@westchesterendoflife.org and write “Proxy Campaign Volunteer” in the subject line, or go to the Proxy Training Form and follow registration instructions.</p> <p>The second part of this course will take place on Tuesday, November 1, from 9:00 AM to noon at the same location.</p>

<p>Thursday, October 27 10:00 am–5:00 pm</p> <p>Friday, October 28 10:00 am–1:00 pm</p>	<p>Illness Beliefs, Suffering, Spirituality and Grief</p> <p>The purpose of this two-day workshop is twofold: 1) to introduce the Illness Beliefs Model (Wright, Watson, & Bell, 1996) and the Trinity Model (Wright, 2005) to health care professionals who serve families experiencing life-threatening or chronic illnesses; and 2) to demonstrate the applicability of these models to new theoretical approaches about grief in order to guide clinical practice with individuals and families.</p> <p>Presenters: Lorraine M. Wright, R.N., Ph.D.; Janice M. Bell, R.N., Ph.D.; Nancy J. Moules, R.N., Ph.D.</p> <p>Presented by Continuing Education at Hunter College.</p> <p>Location to be announced.</p> <p>Tuition: \$125.00</p> <p>Information about the program, speakers, subjects and registration may be found at: http://ce.hunter.cuny.edu/courses/coursedetails.cfm?course_webid=1551.</p>
November 2005	
<p>Tuesday, November 1 9:00 am–noon CANCELLED</p>	<p>Volunteer Training Session 2 (of 2) for the “Everybody Needs a Proxy” campaign</p> <p>This is the second and last part of the training session for volunteers for the Everybody Needs a Proxy campaign.</p> <p>Cost: free.</p> <p>Gilda's Club Westchester 80 Maple Avenue, White Plains</p> <p>Volunteers must have attended part 1 of the training course on October 25.</p> <p>If you are interested in being notified about a future training session, please fill out the Proxy Training Form and mail or fax it in, according to the instructions at the bottom of the form. If you have any questions, please contact Akiko Takano at ATakano@westchesterendoflife.org and write “Proxy Campaign Volunteer” in the subject line.</p>

Thursday, November 3
7:30 pm. Program to
begin at 8:00 pm

**The Impact of Caregiving Upon Families: Who Takes
Care of the Caregiver?**

Each day over 27 million Americans work as family caregivers in the privacy of their own homes. Family caregivers dwell in the "Neverland" of unpaid and usually untrained health care, trying their best to support and sustain their loved one, while often bearing the enormous physical, emotional and financial tolls that family caregiving often triggers. Close friends or loved ones often fail to recognize the burden borne by family caregivers, who themselves sometimes don't realize the impact that this role has on their lives. This program will provide us with insights and information, and offer practical guidance and resources for family caregivers and others to seek answers in our own communities.

Keynote Speaker: Carol Levine
Other speakers include Connie Zuckerman, Susan Grosz,
Lisa Lefell, Rabbi Richard Jacobs

Cost: Free

Center for Jewish Living, Westchester Reform Temple, 255
Mamaroneck Road, Scarsdale, N.Y.

Call Bette Landes at (914) 472-1448 or Joan Wiener at
(914) 725-3795 for more information.

Sponsored by the Caring Community, Westchester Reform
Temple

March 2006	
<p>Wednesday, March 1 6:30-8:30PM</p> <p>Light refreshments will be served.</p>	<p>Book Discussion: <i>The Year of Magical Thinking</i></p> <p>Join us for an informal discussion of <i>The Year of Magical Thinking</i> by Joan Didion.</p> <p>Just days after her daughter, Quintana, lapsed into a coma, Joan Didion's husband of nearly 40 years—novelist John Gregory Dunne—suffered a fatal heart attack at their dining room table. <i>The Year of Magical Thinking</i> is Didion's attempt to make sense of the "weeks and then months that cut loose any fixed idea I ever had about death, about illness . . . about marriage and children and memory . . . about the shallowness of sanity, about life itself."</p> <p>Facilitated by Jane Nusbaum, M.A., former faculty member of the Health Advocacy Program at Sarah Lawrence College.</p> <p>The discussion is open to all. There is no charge to attend.</p> <p>Location: Performing Arts Center (PAC) #2 at Sarah Lawrence College. For directions, please go to www.sarahlawrence.edu.</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE THE LOCATION HAS BEEN CHANGED.</p> <p>If you are interested in attending, please register by sending an e-mail to info@westchesterendoflife.org (please write "Didion book group" in the subject line) or call (914) 395-2371 (the Graduate Studies Department at Sarah Lawrence College) and ask for Akiko Takano.</p> <p>A Westchester End-of-Life Coalition Program</p> <p>Co-sponsored by Jansen Hospice and Palliative Care www.jansenhospice.org</p>

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