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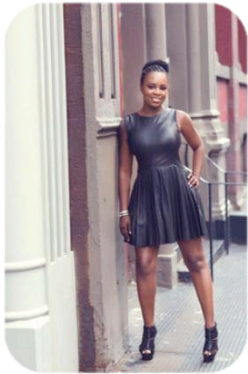


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Organization:

Skyler's Gift Foundation

Website:

www.SkylersGift.org

Areas of Focus:

Infant Mortality and Prematurity Awareness

Focus: Through Skyler's Gift, Tiffany assists families through the loss of their infants due to prematurity related causes with financial and counseling resources.



Professional Tip:

When working with families through their grief, remember to seek counseling and mental breaks for yourself, too, as this is not an easy subject to constantly deal with.

Advocate: Pregnancy & Infant Loss Month

We as a community mourn alongside our fellow preemie parents who have lost a baby in pregnancy, at birth, in the NICU and beyond. October is **Pregnancy & Infant Loss Month** with **October 15th** as a specific day. With that consider donations to **Zoe Rose Memorial Foundation, Skyler's Gift Foundation, Now I lay Me Down to Sleep, and Still Standing Magazine.**

FREE: Preemie Angel Parent Logo

PreemieWorld provides a number of free handouts to be used in the **NICU and beyond** in its "Freebies For You" section of the website.

This month's freebie is another preemie symbol:

Preemie Angel Parent. "October is the month for **Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness** and we recognize that many angels were born prematurely,"

notes PreemieWorld's **Deb Discenza.** "My hope is that this symbol will show support for the many families affected by premature birth whose baby passed away in the NICU or at home."

Download it here: <http://preemie.us/PreemieAngel>

To Do List



CONGRATS: [Connected Forever](#) won the Owlet Monitor giveaway and [Jenessa Renteria-Green](#) won a copy of the *little man* DVD.



LIKED US YET?: PreemieWorld is doing another PreemieWorld Facebook page contest. See page 2 of this newsletter for details!



Download PreemieWorld's **FREE** tools <http://bit.ly/PreemieFreebies> and pass them onto NICU Parents as part of your welcome packet.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



Young Child Expo & Conference
September 30-October 2, 2015
Spokane, Washington
www.youngchildexpo.com

Preemie Parent Alliance Summit
Preemie Parent Alliance
October 19-21, 2015
Dallas, TX
www.PreemieParentAlliance.org

Have an event you want to share with our community? Contact us:
connect@preemieworld.com

*Tools and Resources
for the Preemie Community*

Support: Connected Forever

Founded by Jesse & Tracy Pella, **Connected Forever** honors their sons Cooper and Angel Cohen born at 23 weeks and 4 days on June 1, 2011.

Established: 2014

Outreach: Local Nebraska Area

Web: www.connected4ever.org

Focus: Premature babies of all gestations and infant loss. Connected Forever was established so that no family has to endure a similar journey alone.

Programs: Currently providing resources, connecting personally and providing education to staff members as they work on core programs.



Org: Brave Beginnings

Brave Beginnings is a program of the Will Rogers Motion Picture Pioneers Foundation and is dedicated to providing life-saving neonatal medical equipment to NICUs.

Web:
www.BraveBeginnings.org

Established:
2006

Area:
National

Focus:
Premature Infants

Background:
Started in 1936 and named after one of the greatest humanitarians, philanthropists and entertainers that have ever lived, the Will Rogers Motion Picture Pioneers

Foundation operates several projects. One such project is the Will Rogers Institute, which promotes and funds medical research of cardio-pulmonary diseases and education of the general public surrounding the areas of health and fitness. The other is Brave Beginnings, started in 2006 and was originally the "Will Rogers Institute Neonatal Equipment Grant Program." Understanding that proper medical equipment can mean life or death for these infants, the program is dedicated to not only helping premature infants survive, but also thrive.



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"I am a Premie!" Tag

Its RSV season and the entire planet would like to touch, kiss, hold, and basically slobber all over your preemie. You are trying to be respectful of family and close friends and even that well-meaning grandmother-type at the store. But apparently no one got the memo that preemies, even ones out of the NICU have low immune systems that need tender care. Short of having your NICU on speed-dial for backup, this is where the "I am a Premie!" tag talks for your baby and for you. The laminated tag is friendly, colorful and comes with a clip for easy connection to car seats and more.

We're giving away this tag! Follow us on Twitter by 10/22/15 to enter: <http://bit.ly/PremieTweets>

After the NICU: RSV & Synagis

Parents are often behind the eight ball when getting ready for Respiratory Syncytial Virus season. Here are some quick reminders:

- Talk to the doctor now about precautions needed this season.
- Call/Meet with the pediatrician or specialist's office now to work on a pre-approval of Synagis from insurance so as to not miss doses due to "red tape."
- Prepare family and friends now regarding visitation and more.
- Get those doctors appointments for the family done now to avoid unnecessary outings.
- Look at ways to get through isolation: books, videos, Skype chats with others, etc.....

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NICU Professionals Group: (www.Linkedin.com)

Optimal Care in NICU Includes Single Patient Rooms. Here is the Reason Why!

5 Steps for Successful Change Management

NEED CEUs?: NPA Symposium

Early Intervention Professionals Group: (www.Linkedin.com)

Autism & the School Cafeteria

STUDY: Premies Are Less "Wealthy" as Adults, Lack Greater Mathematical Abilities

Preparing Preschoolers for "School Talk"

Premie World (www.Twitter.com):

RESEARCH: Possible Treatment for Preeclampsia

Cool Premie Blog: Life Hiccups

BE THE SMART PRO: Tell Your Families about the "Premie Network" on Inspire.com:

Deb Discenza of PremieWorld moderates this FREE global network of **over 23,000** parents from NICU to home to school. www.inspire.com/preemie

Check out these groups and more by referring to the "Get 'Social' With Us" on page 4 for more information. Have news or research to share with us? connect@preemieworld.com

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www.LittleMantheMovie.com



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1. PremieWorld
2. Premie Parent's Survival Guide to the NICU



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1. NICU Professionals
2. Early Intervention Professionals
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Suggested Resources: *When a Premie Passes Away*

In honor of Pregnancy & Infant Loss Month and in memory of so many premies born too soon and gone too soon, we stand with families in providing support and more. Below are some family resources we recommend for families and for professionals:

Share - Pregnancy & Infant Loss Support:

Share provides support for those who have lost a child (parents, siblings, grandparents, and professionals who have cared for infants in a variety of settings). Services include bedside companions, phone counseling, face-to-face support group meetings, resource packets, private online communities, memorial events, and caregiver training. www.nationalshare.org

Still Standing Magazine:

An incredible resource for parents working through the loss of a child, including a wall of remembrance, a huge set of resources and recommended books and more. www.stillstandingmagazine.com

Zoe Rose Memorial Foundation:

Created by Richard and Keira Sorrells after their triplet daughter Zoe passed away at 14 months of age, the organization provides a number of resources for families plus an annual remembrance ceremony. To have your baby remembered, contact the organization. You do not need to be present in order to have your baby remembered. www.ZoeRose.org