#NeverBeStill in October & Beyond!

October is Pregnancy & Infant Loss Awareness Month! We hope you've been following along with our #NeverBeStill campaign on social media, but even if you're late to the party, any time is a good time to raise awareness!

Here are a few simple ideas to get you started:

1. Read SLF Executive Director Lindsey Wimmer's blog post about why raising awareness is critical
2. Like/Share our Awareness Month posts on social media! Look for #NeverBeStill
3. Change your Facebook (or other social media) profile pics to use our Awareness Month frame - see instructions here
4. Create a free Star or Memorial Page for your baby on our website
5. Perform an Act of Kindness in memory of your baby (full page printable cards here)
6. Make sure your local hospital/doctor's office knows about our resources for families and providers, Parenting in Pregnancy guide to healthy pregnancy, and free brochures about grief and after loss care available in English & Spanish (email us for a sample letter to get you started!)
7. Register for Let's Not Be Still! Diana's Hope 5k/Walk/Tot Trot in West Babylon (Long Island) on 11/3 - more info here
8. Several of our chapter members had success asking their towns to proclaim October 15th as Pregnancy & Infant Loss Awareness Day - ask your town to do the same for next year! (email us for a sample letter to get you started!)

Mark Your Calendar!

-- Diana’s Hope 5K --

Let's Not Be Still! Diana’s Hope 5k - Walk - Tot Trot
Saturday, 11/3
Belmont Lake State Park
West Babylon, NY

More info and register
Today (10/26) is the last day for early bird registration!

Chapter Highlights

-- Featured Writing --

Did you know that the NY Metro Chapter is proud to include several talented writers amongst our ranks?

In fact, you may have seen their work already in popular online posts!

Here are some powerful recent pieces written by members of our chapter:
Don't miss these DISCOUNTED TICKETS for Star Legacy supporters!

Seats up to 45% off, some as low as $30!!

Available dates:
11/11 vs. Buffalo Bills
11/26 vs. New England Patriots
12/19 vs. Houston Texans
12/23 vs. Green Bay Packers

And every ticket purchased generates a donation to Star Legacy Foundation!
www.jetsgroups.com/slf

Follow us on Facebook to stay up-to-date with upcoming events and volunteer opportunities in our area!
www.facebook.com/NYMetroStarLegacyFoundation/

Be sure to click Like and Follow in order to see our posts in your News Feed!

38 weeks pregnant with my second child, I met a friend for lunch. What I didn’t know was my daughter had actually died earlier that morning.” (Love What Matters) by Laura Forer

"To The Doctors And Nurses Who Helped Deliver My Stillborn Son" (Scary Mommy) by Marissa Millerline

“She Died on a Supermoon” (The Urban Howl) by Kathy Gardner

“Our Non-Quiet Place” (Glow in the Woods) by Samantha Durante Banerjee

-- June Gala --

On June 2nd, chapter member Kristin Ferriggi and our dedicated Events Committee hosted our very first “Night Under the Stars” Gala!

This lovely evening at Captain Bill’s in Bayshore, NY honoring all babies amongst the stars raised over $6500 for Star Legacy Foundation!

Thank you to all who joined us!

Check out photos from the event here.

Your Help Needed!

If you haven’t already, please take a moment to review Star Legacy Foundation at Great Nonprofits. Our 5-star rating is incredibly important toward qualifying for grants to continue our life-saving work!

Fall Social Gathering in New Jersey

It was wonderful to meet so many new families at our Fall Social Gathering in September! If you weren’t able to join us this time around, please keep an eye out for upcoming events this winter in the NYC area!

As always, everything we do is in honor of all of our babies; in their memories, we will continue to drive research, education, awareness, and prevention —— because every pregnancy deserves a happy ending!

Ideas, questions, or comments? Email us!
Best wishes,
Hilary, Samantha, Amanda, Christine, Bobbie, & Eleni

(Star Legacy Foundation NY Metro Chapter Chairs)