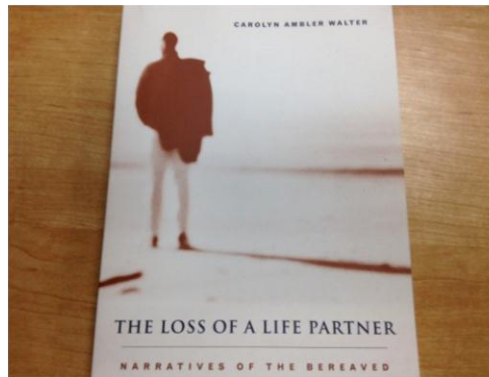


The Joseph McBride Memorial Professional Development Series at Peter's Place

Presents

The Loss of a Life Partner: A Post-Modern Perspective

by Carolyn A. Walter, Ph.D., LCSW



Friday, January 27, 2012 • 1:00 – 3:00 PM
Peter's Place • 150 N. Radnor-Chester Rd., Radnor, PA 19087

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Through presentation and discussion this singular workshop will:

- Examine loss and grief among disenfranchised populations.
- Examine new concepts within the post-modern model of grief as they relate to disenfranchised populations.
- Help clinicians and mental health professionals to develop an understanding of ways to apply these concepts in professional practice.



This series is offered to helping professionals who work with the bereaved including Psychologists, Social Workers, School Counselors and Mental Health Professionals

To Register:

Submit the attached form with a \$25 donation by January 20th, 2012
2 CEU's • seating is limited, please register early

NASW-PA Chapter is a co-sponsor of this workshop. 2 CE's will be awarded for completion of this course. NASW has been designated as a pre-approved provider of professional continuing education for social workers (Section 47.36), Marriage and Family Therapists (Section 48.36) and Professional Counselors (Section 49.36) by the PA State Board of Social Workers, Marriage & Family Therapists and Professional Counselors.

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for helping professionals who work with the bereaved*

Regardless of specialty, most therapists, counselors, and mental health professionals deal consistently with issues of loss in their work with clients. Despite this, many graduate and training programs do not adequately prepare clinicians to address these themes and dominant culture does not encourage open communication about death and dying. Peter's Place is a center for grieving children and families located in Radnor, and this series was created to provide educational and discussion opportunities on issues related to illness, death, dying and bereavement for helping professionals.

About Joe



This series is named for Joseph McBride, a renowned clinical social worker, professor and bereavement expert who died in November 2010 at the age of 58 in a cycling accident. Joe taught at the University of Pennsylvania's School of Social Policy & Practice and ran a private practice in NJ specializing in chronic illness and bereavement. He was also well-known for his time as the Chief Social Worker and Director of Social Work Training for Philadelphia Child Guidance Clinic, and he served as a consultant for numerous schools and organizations including Compassionate Friends, Pennsylvania SIDS Foundation, the US Department of Justice, Office for Victims of Crime and the victims of PAN AM 103 as well as 9/11. Joe had a passion for teaching and is widely recognized as a favorite professor of countless social workers throughout the Philadelphia area. He is remembered by all who knew him as a larger-than-life personality with a great sense of humor and someone who dedicated his life to helping others.

At the time of his death, Joe was scheduled to be the next speaker for this series. Like many who are overcome with grief at the loss of such a wonderful and dynamic person, we wanted to create a lasting tribute to Joe. Through the Peter's Place Professional Development Series, helping professionals who work with the bereaved can further their training and come together to support one another in this work.



