

National Day of Remembrance For Murder Victims: September 25, 2017

Tragically, each year an estimated 14,249 persons are murdered nationwide, a murder every 36.9 minutes. The mission of the National Organization of Parents Of Murdered Children, Inc. (POMC) is to make a difference through on-going emotional support, education, prevention, advocacy, and awareness. POMC's vision is to provide support and assistance to all survivors of homicide victims while working to create a world free of murder.

September 25th is the National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims. This commemorative day was established as a National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims as a result of unanimously passed resolutions by the U.S. Senate on October 16, 2007 (S. Res. 326) and the U.S. House of Representatives on May 14, 2007 (H. Res. 223).



POMC believes that honoring the memory of victims who have been killed by violence and acknowledging the resulting long-term trauma for families, communities, and the Nation, is an important way of promoting public awareness of the impact of violent crimes and remembering our loved ones. POMC Chapters and other organizations will be holding events around the Nation to commemorate the National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims.

September 25th is significant because on that date in 1978, nineteen year old Lisa Hullinger was murdered while studying in Germany. Lisa's parents, Robert and Charlotte Hullinger, founded Parents Of Murdered Children, Inc. (POMC). POMC provides nationwide assistance to anyone who has lost a loved one to murder and has over 60 chapters and 100 contact people throughout the United States.

On September 25th please take time to remember those who have died by violence in America on our National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims (DOR).

POMC Chapter DOR Events:

Arizona

Valley of the Sun Chapter (602-254-8818)

Date: Saturday, September 23, 2017

Time: 4:30 pm (check-in) 5:00 pm event start time

**Place: Enchanted Island Amusement Park
1202 West Encanto Blvd, Phoenix, AZ 85007**

- National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims Commemoration Event
- Dove Release, Bell Ringing Names Recital
- Guest speaker will be Chief of Police of Phoenix Jeri L. Williams
- Teddy Bear Raffle (donate a teddy bear in memory of your loved one)
- Program is followed by catered picnic dinner so RSVP's are required.

Arkansas

Central Arkansas Chapter (501-351-7662)

Date: Saturday, September 23

Time: 10:00 am

**Place: Capitol Steps
500 Woodlane St.
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201**

California

Greater Orange County Chapter (714-402-3171)

Date: Sunday, September 24

Time: 12:00 – 5:00 pm

**Place: Clark Park
8800 Rosecrans Avenue
Buena Park, CA 90621**

California

Los Angeles Chapter (310-567-3540)

Date: Saturday, September 23

Time: 1:00 pm

**Place: 415 N. Torrance Blvd.
Carson, CA 90745**

- Memorial and Dove Release

California

Monterey County Chapter (831-214-0499)

Date: Friday, September 29

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 pm

**Place: Salinas Courthouse
Board of Supervisors Chambers
168 W. Alisal Street
Salinas, CA 93901**

California

Sacramento Area Chapter (916-879-4541)

Date: Monday, September 25

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 pm

**Place: California State Capitol on North Steps,
1315 10th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814**

- Candle lighting ceremony along with the reading of our Loved Ones names
- Guest Speakers
- Other support groups and state agencies who help crime victims will be there

California

San Diego Chapter (619-281-3972)

Date: Monday, September 25

Time: 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

**Place: Copley-Price Family YMCA
4300 El Cajon Blvd
San Diego, CA 92105**

Colorado

Colorado Front Range Chapter (303-748-6395)

Date: Monday, September 25

Time: 11:30-1:00 pm

**Place: Rose Andom Center
2nd Floor Training Room
1330 Fox St.
Denver, CO 80204**

- The event will begin with an introduction by Michelle Adams (Mistress of Ceremonies)
- Phil Clark (Chapter Leader, Front Range Chapter of Parents Of Murdered Children) will review the history of the National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims
- Jenn Doe (Keynote Speaker) will remember the life of Pamela Ham González
- The event will end with a procession for attendees to remember their loved ones
- HOPE Animal-Assisted Crisis Response will also have therapy dogs on-site for support.
- Families are encouraged to bring a picture of their Loved One to display. A representative from each family may present the name of their Loved One along with the date of birth, date of death and the age at the microphone.

Florida

Tri County Chapter (772-882-0755)

Date: Monday, September 25

Time: 5:30 pm

**Place: MLK Dream Land Park
MLK Drive and Citrus Ave
Fort Pierce, FL 34950**

Kansas

Wichita Kansas Chapter (316-722-2907)

Date: Sunday, September 24

Time: 4:00 pm

**Place: POMC Monument
Corner of 10th & Bitting Streets in North Riverside Park,
Wichita, KS 67203**

- Guest speaker is WPD Police Chief, Gordan Ramsey
- We will be adding names to the Monument

Maine

Maine Chapter (207-277-3518)

Date: Monday, September 25

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 pm

**Place: Jewett Hall Auditorium
University of Maine, Augusta Campus
46 University Drive
Augusta, ME 04330**

- Proclamation of September 25, 2017 as Maine's Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims, by Governor Paul R. LePage
- Maine Murder Victims' memorial video
- Guest speakers/Memories/Song selections
- Memorial tables
- Empty Place at the Table Exhibit (courtesy of New Hope for Women)
- Refreshment reception following program

Massachusetts

Merrimack Valley Chapter (978-452-5858)

Date: Monday, September 25

Time: 6:30 pm

**Place: Lowell City Hall
375 Merrimack Street
Lowell, MA 01852**

- Guest Speakers will include Mayor Edward Kennedy, LPD Chief William Taylor, Middlesex DA Marian Ryan, Survivors Jody Marchand and Arlene Meara
- Names will be read, including the names from January 2009 to present from the Middlesex County
- The Ceremony will conclude with Paul Belley playing “Amazing Grace” and releasing of balloons

Michigan

Metro Detroit Chapter (313-213-3962)

Date: Monday, September 25

Time: 6:00 pm

**Place: Burgh Historical Park
23960 Civic Center Dr.
Southfield, MI 48033**

Michigan

Saginaw County Chapter (989-355-5471)

Date: Monday, September 25

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 pm

**Place: First Ward Community Center
1410 North 12th Street
Saginaw, MI 48601**

- Guest Speaker: Honorable Judge Manvel Trice III
- Donation: \$10.00
- Dinner will be served

Missouri

Central Missouri Area Wide Chapter (573-443-7735)

Date: Saturday, September 23

Time: 12:00 pm

**Place: McKay Park
1700 Southridge Drive, Jefferson City, MO 65109**

- Bring a favorite picnic food dish
- After the picnic, a dove release is scheduled at McKay Park

- Survivors are encouraged to bring a favorite poem to read
- Dove Release

Missouri

Kansas City Area Wide Chapter (816-850-4200)

Date: Saturday, September 23

Time: 6:00 pm

**Place: Kansas City MO Police Academy
6801 NE Pleasant Valley Rd
Kansas City, MO 64119**

- Mile walk around the track with photos of homicide victims lining the walkway
- We will have raffles as this is our annual fundraiser too
- Balloon release
- Comfort dogs will be attending
- This is a \$25 registration fee with a T-shirt

New York

Albany NY Chapter (518-426-2213)

Date: Sunday, September 24

Time: 2:00 pm

**Place: Steinmetz Park on Lenox Road
Schenectady, New York 12308**

- We will remember our loved ones
- Light refreshments will be served

North Carolina

Durham North Carolina Chapter (919-491-0821)

Date: Monday, September 25

Time: 6:00 pm

**Place: St. Philips Episcopal Church
403 East Main Street Durham, NC 27701
(Queen Street Entrance)**

- Creator of Durham's Homicide Memorial Quilt shares compelling stories of hope, perseverance and family.
- "This we do in the spirit of and belief that; World Peace Begins at Home"--Sidney Brodie

Ohio

Greater Cincinnati Area Chapter (513-910-2598)

Date: Thursday, September 21

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 pm

**Place: 5181 Natorp Blvd
Suite 113
Mason, OH 45040**

- Day of Remembrance Recognition
- Sharing of Loved Ones photos, poems and memories

South Carolina

South Carolina Chapter (803-238-0159)

Date: Saturday, September 23

Time: 4:00 - 6:00 pm

**Place: SC Statehouse
1100 Gervais Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201**

- Silent March around Statehouse
- Memorial service to remember all victims of homicide
- Please bring a framed picture of loved ones for table
- There will be fun activities for children, face painting, Bounce house, Balloon twister & more

South Carolina

Sumter Chapter (803-795-3429)

Date: Thursday, September 21

Time: 5:30 - 7:00 pm

**Place: Event will start at Central Carolina College, Main Street Campus and end at the Sumter County Courthouse on Main Street.
506 N Guignard Dr.
Sumter, South Carolina 29150**

- 5:30 - 6:00 pm March from Central Carolina College, Main Street Campus to the Sumter County Courthouse Lawn
- 6:00-7:00 pm Day of Remembrance for the Victims of Homicide and Murder

Texas

San Antonio Chapter (830-981-9490)

Date: Sunday, September 24

Time: 6:00 – 8:00 pm

**Place: Chapel Hill United Methodist Church
4114 SW Loop 410
San Antonio, TX 78227**

- Video pictures of victims
- Music
- Guest speakers

Non POMC Events:

Florida

Palm Beach Victims' Rights Coalition (561-274-1500)

Date: Sunday, September 24

Time: 3:00 – 4:30 pm

**Place: Palm Beach Shores Community Center
90 Edwards Lane
Palm Beach Shores, FL 33404**

- Guest Speakers Include Family Members Of Murder Victims
- Wreath Drop By PBSO Aviation Unit
- Light Refreshments

Georgia

Cherokee Judicial Circuit (770-387-5106)

Victim Services Unit of the District Attorney's Office

Date: Monday, September 25

Time: 7:00 pm

**Place: Hilton Garden Inn
24 Liberty Hill Drive, Cartersville, Georgia 30121**

Please RSVP by September 19, 2017

- Refreshments Provided

Maryland

Maryland Crime Victims' Resource Center, Inc. (301-952-0063)

Date: Saturday, September 16, 2017

Time: 2:00- 6:00 pm

**Place: Prince George's County Courthouse,
Garden of Remembrance**

Location will be at the back of the courthouse

- Reception and multimedia presentation will follow at Dr. Wise High School
12650 Brooke Lane, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772