

Hopeful Happenings



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Happy Holidays from Women For Hope

To make sure you receive your orders before Christmas, place your orders by December 14th



During this time of year with all the hustle and bustle of the holidays, we hope you are able to take some time to reflect on the meaning of the season. It is during this season we spend time with those you love and

remind them how much you do love them. It is also a time to be thankful for the blessings in your life.

This is also the time of year many people need extra help. So we hope you can take the

time to donate a toy for a needy child or give some canned goods to the local food drive. We firmly believe that when you help those in need, the favor is returned some day when you need it.

Special points of interest:

- NEW WEBSITE
- AIDS
- NEW PRODUCTS
- A DAUGHTERS LOVE

Check out the new and improved website!!

We have been hard at work on www.womenforhope.com. It now has a new look, feel and some new features. It is much easier to navigate to help you find information easier and make your shopping experience more fun.

We have added some new products from 2 new companies, Sweet As You Please Soy Candles and J Goode Designs. We will be adding more prod-

ucts soon, so check back often!

We have also added a spot for testimonials and an area where we will be listing ways that you can help groups or individuals in need.

We hope you like the new format and would love to hear feedback. If there is additional information you would like to see on the site or types of products you would like to see us offer, please feel free to

email us at info@womenforhope.com. We would love to hear from you!



December 1st— World AIDS Day

In Honor of World AIDS day being December 1st, we are increasing our donation of any AIDS Awareness Jewelry purchases from 10% to 15% to STITCHES



Doll Project. We have had the honor of actually meeting Kathy Gerus, the co-founder of STITCHES. She is an amazing woman who is such an important advocate for those who have been stricken by this terrible disease. You can find out more about Kathy and STITCHES on their website at <http://www.stitchesdollproject.org>.



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Soy Candles and Fun T-Shirts



Women For Hope is pleased to announce the addition of two new product lines.

Sweet As You Please

Soy Candles is a wonderful line of the most yummy smelling soy candles we have seen (and smelled :) Soy candles are known for being clean burning and Currently we are offering two sizes of their travel tin variety, 2 oz and 4 oz. We will be keeping a stock at hand and also take special orders for any of the other scents they offer. We will soon have some glass container candles in stock too!

Sue and Samantha, the owners of Sweet As You Please, are a mother and daughter team who

are as nice as their candles are sweet. They are excited to be part of the site and we hope you check out their wonderful candles.

J Goode Designs is a line of T-shirts and other fun items with the cutest penguins you have ever seen, along with other fun animals and designs. Jen

Goode participated in Indie For Awareness in October. When we saw her



penguins with the awareness ribbons, we asked if she could expand the line to include all the colors we offer and she kindly did. She also offers the penguins with other themes such as Christmas, Sports, Hobbies, and Careers. The products are made by Café Press. If you use the link on our site to get to her site, we get a percentage of the sale. We will in turn be donating a percentage of that to the nonprofits we work with.

The Soy Candles can be found in our "For the Home" section in the shop and the link to the JGoode Lil' Penguin shop can be found in the "Clothing" section in our shop. Happy Shopping

Click Here to check out the shopping section:
[SHOP](#)

Final words...A Daughter's Love

With November being Lung Cancer Awareness Month, we asked our sister-in-law if she would write something about her experiences with her father's fight with lung cancer. She graciously wrote a beautiful piece and we hope that some of you find that connection that can help when you feel alone in the fight against cancer.

Here is an excerpt from her story. To read it in its entirety, please go to [Stories](#) on the site and see Tiandra's story.

My father was an almost 40 year smoker. Some of my earliest memories are of me running into his arms when he would come home from work, late at night, with the smell of his cologne, cigarette smoke and the cold night air still lingering on him. My Father was a railroad engineer for 35 years and one thing he learned early on was you could pass the time riding the rails a lot easier with a lit

cigarette in your hand. Cigarette's were my Dad's constant companion, and I have to admit, that as a child I always thought my Father looked "sophisticated" when he smoked, like an actor from the 1950's, my very own Richard Burton or Clark Gable. And like most little girls, he was my hero. It never occurred to me back then that his smoking was putting him in very real danger.

Fast forward about 30 years. My Dad had quit smoking back around 1995, so it had been a long time since I had worried about something like "Lung Cancer". See, in my mind, lung cancer happened to people who were "Smokers", my Dad no longer fell into that category, he had quit smoking over a dozen years ago, he was safe, right? Wrong. In March of this year, my Father went for a very over due appointment to his cardio-pulmonary doctor. He

had suffered an awful case of kidney stones and when he went in for treatment they suggested he check in with his Cardiologist, just to be safe. Well, sure enough, in the process of a good once-over check up, a small spot on his left lung that they had been watching for years was suddenly not so small anymore. In fact, it had more than tripled in size in the 18 months since he has last been in to see his doctor. Well, needless to say, panic set in, for me and my entire family, including my Dad. Within about a month my father was admitted to the hospital for eight days to undergo major cardio-thoracic surgery. The section of the lung where the "spot" was had to be completely removed, not the tumor, the lung.... See [Tiandra's Story](#) for the rest of the story.

