



## The Kind Kids Newsletter January 2017

*Dear Family and Friends,*

Reflection is a good thing! I like to believe that when we look back and understand how we have spent the beautiful gift of time, we can look ahead with an even keener sense of how to be a part of that which is waiting in the wings for us...

In 2016, my life was committed to family, friends, volunteering, and work with my non-profit 501(c)3 organization, The Kind Kids Inc. I have much to be grateful for. It was an honor and a privilege to listen, to learn, and to be inspired by so many people of all ages throughout the entire year. Together with some plenty remarkable individuals, myself, and my organization, we all accomplished the following:

In May of 2016, we published our Fifth Book, "**Courage From The Heart.**"

I made a third visit to Newtown, Connecticut that entailed week long presentations, book signings, and community involvement. ([Our Original Blog Post](#))

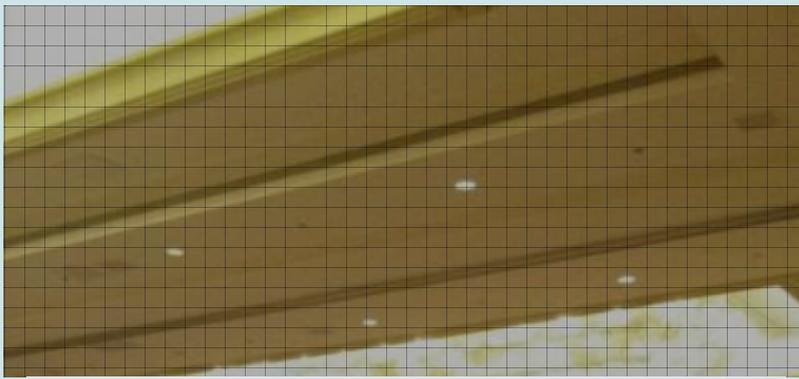


### **St. Rose of Lima Women's Club**

St. Rose of Lima Women's Club, Newtown, Connecticut, orchestrates its meetings and gala events at Holy Inn...

I attended and presented at the 22nd Annual TAPS National Military Survivor Seminar & Good Grief Camp, in Washington, D.C. ([Our](#)

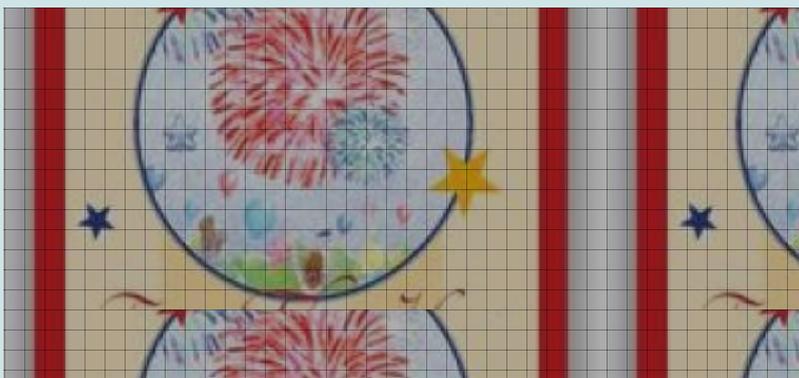
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### **"TAPS," Tragedy Assistance Program For Survivors, 22nd Annual Nat...**

This was my second year to attend and present at TAPS National Military Survivor Seminar held during the Memor...

In July, our Fifth Book, "Courage From The Heart," received **The Mom's Choice Award: Juvenile Books, Non-Fiction - Ages 9-12.**

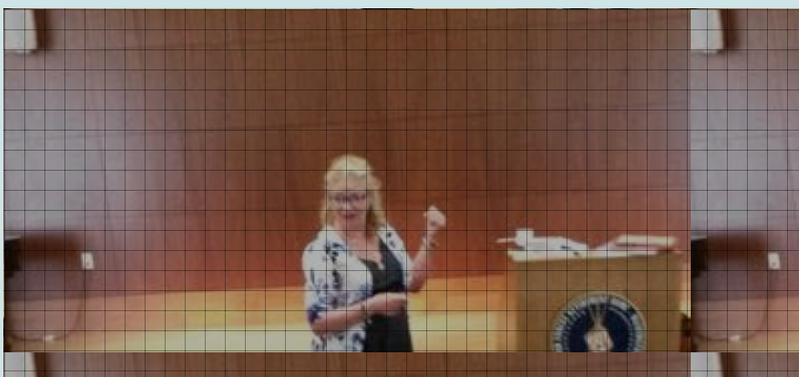


### **Courage From The Heart**

Courage From The Heart evolved through years of inspiration from children, those individuals who had a lifetime ...

I renewed my Post Graduate Professional Teaching License for another five years.

In September, I presented to the residents of The Armed Forces Retirement Home, Washington, D.C. and shared my Fifth Book, "Courage From The Heart." ([Our Original Blog Post](#))



### **Presenting "Courage From The Heart" to Residents of The Armed For...**

On Thursday afternoon, September 8, I was fortunate to be in good company with the residents of The Armed Force...

During the year, myself and truly inspiring people collaborated together and established the "Reading Buddies" Intergenerational Program in Washington, D.C. for The Armed Forces Retirement Home and The Creative Minds International Public Charter school.

I continued to fulfill my responsibilities and commitments as a Board Member and Area Co-Chair for Reading Is Fundamental of Northern Virginia.

My volunteer teachings continued for Confirmation Classes at my church, Saint Rita of Cascia Catholic Church, Alexandria, Virginia, and this brought a different light to my life.

New horizons are both exciting and most definitely a learning experience! I welcome change and challenges...for they both keep our spirits alive and hopeful for what's to come. 2017 will embrace many of the initiatives that have been part of my life during this past year of 2016. Book signings, lots of volunteering, much work for The Kind Kids Inc. and continued collaboration and implementation of Intergenerational Partnerships/Programs. On the horizon for myself, friends, and colleagues is a potentially beautiful and exciting project!

I will be returning to Newtown, Connecticut this year to begin working and creating Intergenerational Programs for schools in the beloved town of Newtown. We have laid a few building blocks for this Intergenerational Project, and our discussions and planning continue to carry on with passion and devotion.

I'm grateful to know all of you that are receiving my newsletter. It's because of you that I am inspired to want to celebrate in this New Year, and to be hopeful for all that it has in store for each and every one of us. When time permits, please visit our website for The Kind Kids Inc. at [www.thekindkids.org](http://www.thekindkids.org). It is there you will learn how our organization is meeting the needs of individuals across the generations. I encourage you to browse our website, order our books, and make a contribution to support the many charitable efforts of The Kind Kids. Inc. Your donations to us may be tax deductible.

*With heartfelt affection,*

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