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Wendt Center *today*

August 2012

Carole Geithner to
Speak at Benefit



The Wendt Center is honored to announce that [Carole Geithner](#), author of *If Only*, will be keynote speaker at this year's anniversary Benefit on October 25. Ms. Geithner, who lost her mother at a young age, has worked extensively with children who have had a parent die, and adults whose childhoods were shaped by parent loss. She is a licensed clinical social worker and Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at George Washington School of Medicine.

For more information on this year's Anniversary Benefit, [click here](#).

Wendt Center Welcomes New Interim Executive Director



The Board of Directors of the Wendt Center for Loss and Healing is delighted to announce that Michelle Palmer, LICSW, has been named Interim Executive Director. Michelle brings more than 15 years of experience working with at-risk families, children, and youth in DC, elsewhere in the US, and internationally. Most recently she served as the Director of Clinical Services at Metro TeenAIDS. We look forward to working with Michelle over the next four to five months while the search for a permanent executive director is underway. [\(Click here for the complete text of announcement from Board President Thomas Cooke.\)](#)



Michelle Palmer, LICSW

2012 Annual Butterfly Release



Upcoming Events

37th Anniversary Benefit
 October 25, 2012
 Admin Night
 September 26, 2012
 Volunteer Training
 October 20, 2012.
 Volunteer Appreciation
 November 8, 2012
 Candle Light Vigil Training
 October 1, 2012
 To register [click here](#)



Set a butterfly free in remembrance of someone you love . . .

We invite you to come and release a butterfly in remembrance of someone you love... hear their name read aloud and celebrate a life that gave special joy and meaning to you and your family. Join us at this very child-friendly event. The release will be held on Saturday, September 8, 2012 from 2:00pm to 5:00pm at Garfield Park (3rd & G Streets, SE, Washington, DC 20003). Deadline to purchase butterflies is September 1. To purchase or obtain more information [click here](#).

Employment Opps

- Part-Time Therapist
- Spanish-Speaking Therapist
- Child and Family Therapist

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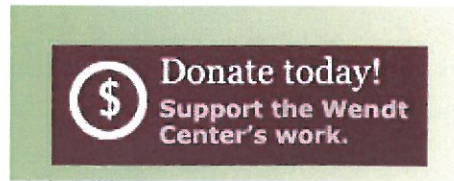
Summer Youth Employment Program

Summer student interns Jureline Locks and Jaimesha Cole spent six weeks working with Wendt Center staff through STARS Plus One Summer Internship Program (a partnership between DC Police Foundation and Urban Alliance) in which the Wendt Center participated for the first time this year. Both Jureline and Jaimesha worked in several departments, including Development and Finance, learning new skills in a real-life working environment. Both will attend college in January 2013. We thank them and wish them well in their future endeavors.



Kecia Hill (L), Volunteer Coordinator, Jureline Locks (R), Jaimesha Coles (C).

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