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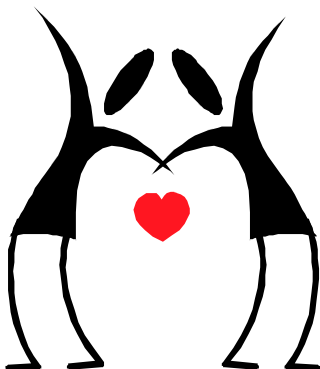
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HILL1 Newsletter

The Pathway to Global Healing

On October 17, 1997, Malcolm Xavier Duane Hill, the son of Steven and Penny Hill, was killed in a drunk driving crash. The Hill family has experienced such a loss from this alcohol-related crash that they decided to establish the HILL1 Foundation in memory of Malcolm, helping families deal with the shock of losing a loved one by providing spiritual, moral, and limited financial support in order to facilitate the healing process.

The HILL1 Foundation (Healing Innocent Lost Love 1's) was conceived by Steven Hill and his brother Jonathan Hill. Walter Hardy, the brother of Malcolm, coined the expression "Healing Innocent Lost Loved 1's" which is the mission of the foundation.



The Trial

The verdict of the Involuntary Manslaughter trial was definitely unexpected, but in spite of this, the Hill family is moving forward with a positive outlook to help people in similar situations. Pertaining to the October 17, crash, Robert Brennan was acquitted on September 22, 1998, of DWI charges.



On

September 29, 1998, at the Fairfax County Government Building a press conference was held by Mothers Against Drunk Driving to voice their anger on the outcome of the DWI trial. Fairfax County Supervisor Bob Dix asked state Attorney General Mark Earley to investigate whether Commonwealth's Attorney Bob Horan's office participated in "negligent conduct" that allowed Brennan to go free (the outcome of Dix's request is not known).

Candlelight Vigil

On October 17, 1998, to mark the first year anniversary of Malcolm's passing, a candlelight vigil was held on the corner of Nutley and Lee Highway at the crash site. Bob Dix, and Dave Kelly of MADD spoke at the vigil. Family and friends gathered to commemorate the loss of little Malcolm. A new roadsign has been placed at the crash site to remind drivers that Malcolm was lost but not forgotten.

White House Visit

Steven, Penny and Julian Hill, joined First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, U.S. Secretary of Transportation Rodney Slater, and MADD National President Carolyn Nunnallee at the White House to tie a MADD ribbon to the first family's car. Across the country, Governors and other public officials also show support for the War against impaired driving by following suit during the Holiday Season.



The Pole (A Special Place)

Since the crash, the Pole, located on the corner of Nutley Street and Lee Highway, has been the place where family and friends have remembered Malcolm.

Teddy Bears, hearts, and flowers have been placed

there since the day of the crash. We have taken it upon ourselves to dedicate the Pole in remembrance of Malcolm. The upkeep of the Pole and all the special gifts placed there regularly is to remind us that even though Malcolm is no longer among us, he is in our hearts daily. Special thanks goes out to Kathy Case, who ensures the Pole stays special to us.

Our President & Vice President of



Citizens of the Week

HILL1 were given honors in the Vienna Times newspaper "Citizens of the Week". A remembrance photo taken the night of the anniversary vigil captures the parents of Malcolm placing a green building block (Malcolm's favorite toy) at the pole, which marks the building block of Malcolm's legacy.

Fundraisers

The Hill 1 Foundation kicked off their first fundraiser event during March 1998. The foundation started with a pizza drive, selling over 200 pizzas, and due to the overwhelming demand a second pizza drive in August sold over 500 kits. Thanks goes out to all those who made these two pizza fundraisers a success.

On Sunday, May 31, the First Annual Malcolm Xavier Duane Hill Memorial Bike Race was held at the Fairfax Criterium, sponsored by Double Z racing. We had a great turnout of Malcolm's friends for the children's big wheel race. The first place winner for the memorial bike race was Stuart Gibson. We look forward to our second bike race in 1999.



In the heat of August we held our first car wash at the Shell gas station on Martin Luther King Highway in Glenarden, MD. In September we held a second car wash with great participation by the foundation members to help raise money.

Foundation members worked hard washing, scrubbing and drying over a

hundred cars. Camera crews from Channels 4, 7, 8 and 9 interviewed foundation members as they washed cars at the Shell gas station in Herndon, VA. Garrett Davis, Malcolm's best friend, when interviewed, responded "I miss Malcolm".

Maureen Mulima, a Gaithersburg Maryland, graduate student & Resident Director of Marshall University, kicked off a pennies from heaven fund-raiser at Marshall University December 8, 1998, just in time for Malcolm's 6th Birthday.

Reflections

Over the past year, Steven and I have gone through our trials and tribulations, and the healing process has been very slow, but with the grace of the Creator and the support of family and friends we have been able to come this far.

An Alcohol related traffic crash shortened our son's life, but it is through the efforts of HILL1 that Malcolm Xavier Duane Hill is remembered.

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