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Our Second Meeting Results - \$6,000 to the Hospice Care Network!

Our second meeting, held October 8, was very exciting! We presented our members' checks, totaling \$3,700, to the Theresa Academy of Performing Arts Founder and President – Susan Russo and her husband Vincent.

Some highlights . . .

- She recalled her daughter, Theresa's short life and the impact it had on her family
- Why they formed the Academy - to touch the lives of special needs children through workshops and programs of enrichment support
- Have supported "All-Island Handicapped Sports", disabilities awareness programs and horseback riding
- Most recently they have made a special effort to support art programs for special needs children

The monies donated will be used to enhance their Saturday Respite program the only arts-based Saturday Respite Program in Nassau County specifically created for children with special needs.

Then it was down to business to learn about 3 more qualified charities and vote on the next charity who would receive our members' donation. We are pleased to let you know that the charity is the Hospice Care Network. They will be presenting how they will use our \$6,000 donation at our next meeting – January 14, 2014!

The **Hospice Care Network's** mission is to enable people to live in peace and with dignity in a caring environment during the final stages of life by offering care and comfort both to them and to those with whom they share their lives. They develop and provide individualized programs of care and supportive services during dying, death and bereavement that enhance quality of life by addressing physical, emotional, spiritual and social needs.

The vision of the Hospice Care Network is for people living with advanced illness to have a meaningful experience - one in which they have the time to have meaningful conversations with friends and loved ones - because every day counts.

The Hospice Care Network is a not for profit healthcare organization serving people and families in Nassau, Suffolk and Queens. Hospice Care Network has been helping people since 1988. As a member of the North Shore-LIJ Health System, Hospice Care Network is committed to the highest quality of care.

100 Women Who Care about Long Island is a new philanthropic group formed for local women who are interested in supporting our communities by contributing to Long Island charities together as a group to increase the donation impact.

As individuals it is difficult to make a very large impact, but as a group we have the ability to contribute to the growth of our communities in ways that we never before thought possible. The size of our quarterly donations is limited only by the members we have!

Our next meeting is Tuesday January 14, 2014 from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm at Jewel Restaurant in Melville (on Route 110 at the LIE). After the meeting we invite you to join us for some socializing and networking. There will be complimentary hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar available.

Please visit our website, www.100wwcli.org, to join and nominate your favorite charity online.
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