

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2021



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WELCOME TO THE SUPER SATURDAY BOWL BASH!

On behalf of everyone at Judi's House/JAG Institute, thank you for joining us for this unique and special event.

Brian Griese was just 12 years old when his mother, Judi, died from breast cancer. In 2002, Brian and his spouse, Dr. Brook Griese, a clinical child psychologist, founded Judi's House in her memory with a commitment to providing access to effective and compassionate care to all bereaved children and families. Judi's House's mission is to help children and families grieving a death find connection and healing. JAG Institute furthers this mission through research and training initiatives. For nearly 20 years, Judi's House has supported more than 11,000 youth and their caregivers toward our vision that no child should be alone in grief.

Brian's story is one of resilience and strength despite setbacks and tremendous loss. His success as a National College Football Champion, an NFL quarterback, and now as ESPN's Monday Night Football Analyst are a testament to his determination and his path that honors Judi's continued influence in his life. We want to celebrate and share Brian's achievement in calling the Big Game from Tampa with friends and families, near and far. Your participation with us makes this weekend even more special.

Tonight, we are thrilled to have Super Bowl XLV Champion and 2021 Pro Football Hall of Fame Finalist Charles Woodson joining us to give his insights into key matchups between the Kansas City Chiefs and Tampa Bay Buccaneers. We will present the 2021 Healing Hand Award to treasured community members, The Betts Family. This award commemorates the family's journey as they selflessly made meaning from tragedy and strengthened Judi's House through advocacy, volunteerism, financial gifts, and more. Mike and Debbie Betts are pillars of support in countless ways.

When I joined this meaningful organization in April of 2019, I would not have imagined a global health crisis that would center grief and loss in our lives while distancing us from much that we hold dear. I know we will connect in person again. Until then, I am thankful we can share this time and space together to support our grieving neighbors, and I would like to thank all our event sponsors for helping making this night possible.

By joining together, we can support the millions of grieving children across our country by making the world around them more accepting and understanding. By educating ourselves about grief, we can prevent the adverse outcomes that result when it goes unaddressed. Your presence tonight shows your commitment to the bereaved– to walking alongside them in their grief. Taking these small steps together moves us closer to a grief-informed world that values hope and healing after loss.

Thank you for your support of this critical work. Be safe and enjoy the program, the Big Game Sunday, and all the moments to celebrate this weekend.

Sincerely,

Jessica Maitland Mayo Chief Executive Officer



Judi's House is a community-based nonprofit bereavement center for children and families with the vision that no child should be alone in grief.

In order to achieve this vision, Judi's House is committed to providing Comprehensive Grief Care® services for bereaved youth and families at Judi's House as well as in school- and community-based settings throughout Metro Denver. These vital services are delivered at no cost to families thanks solely to philanthropic support.

Judi's House is also committed to contributing to knowledge that helps identify and meet the needs of the bereaved everywhere. In 2014, Judi's House launched JAG Institute (named in memory of Brian's mother, Judith Ann Griese) as a center for learning, focused on expanding evaluation, research, and training opportunities necessary to share successful bereavement programs.



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2020 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Last year was a year of growth and learning for us as individuals and as an organization. COVID-19 aggressively pushed its way into the top causes of death in the United States. We will study the long-term repercussions of the pandemic for decades to come, but we already know one: an increase in the number of bereaved families in our nation where 1 in 14 children are expected to be bereaved by age 18.

We witnessed first-hand the strength and resilience of our community; uniting in the face of adversity to help us fulfill our mission to support those grieving in a socially distant and uncertain world. There is more work to be done, and we thank you for supporting the families we serve on their grief journeys.

By the Numbers

CLIENTS SERVED

52 VIRTUAL STUDENT WORKSHOPS 6,747*

HOURS OF SERVICE

158

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

Pictured: Socially distanced outdoor summer grief groups

*Includes direct service and community assessments, counseling groups, on site therapy, telehealth and virtual services, and phone inquiries

2021 HEALING HAND AWARD HONOREE



We are honored to recognize the recipient of our 2021 Healing Hand Award – The Betts Family! This award recognizes members of the Judi's House/JAG Institute community who have gone above and beyond to give back to the grieving children and families we serve.

Former clients, The Betts Family has supported our mission and vision through events like the Cora Betts Royal Ball and the annual Michael and Cora Betts Legacy Golf Tournament. The golf tournament honors the lives of Michael and Cora, siblings who lost their lives in a tragic car accident. Since 2008, the golf tournament has raised nearly \$200,000 in support of bereaved families in our community.

"I know in the months following the accident, we weren't the parents we felt we could've been...Running [the golf tournament] helps remind me that the grief journey is ongoing and allows me to be a better parent." – Mike Betts (Co-Founder of the Michael and Cora Legacy Foundation with wife Debbie)

Mike, Debbie, and family, thank you for your confidence and unwavering support. We appreciate you sharing your story and we look forward to celebrating the impact the Michael and Cora Betts Legacy Foundation continues to have on our community.







SPECIAL GUEST: NFL LEGEND & HALL OF FAME FINALIST



Charles Woodson is undeniably one of the greatest defensive players to ever play in the NFL. Don't just take our word for it – he is a finalist for the 2021 Class of Inductees into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Tonight, Charles will find out if he makes his first-ballot induction.

Charles and Judi's House/JAG Institute co-founder and ESPN Monday Night Football Analyst, Brian Griese, have known each other for more than 25 years, winning a National Championship together at Michigan in 1997. That same year, Charles won the Heisman Trophy, over Peyton Manning, and is still the only defensive player to be honored with the title.

As the fourth overall pick in the 1998 NFL draft, Charles continued to rack up accolades throughout his career. The nine-time Pro Bowler still has the most defensive touchdowns in the league, was named the 2009 NFL Defensive Player of the Year and captained the Green Bay Packers in their Super Bowl XLV victory.

We're excited to hear Brian and Charles talk about life since retiring from the NFL including Charles' charity work, wine business, and future in television. We will also look back at Super Bowl XLV moments with the Green Bay Packers and find out what Charles did at halftime to inspire his team to be World Champions.

Thank you, Charles, for sharing your time with us and for the work you are doing off the field. We're cheering you on tonight!



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Thanks to the generosity of donors, Judi's House provides research-based care, completely free of cost, to grieving children and families. Private support also allows us to educate and train community members to continue to build a grief-informed world.

Attending events like the Super Saturday Bowl Bash is just one way to make a difference for the bereaved. We invite you to continue this journey with us as we work towards our vision that no child is alone in grief. Get involved today!

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