

# COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES

## NOVEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

Our office will be closed on Friday November 10th in observance of Veterans Day. In addition, our office will be closed on Thursday the 23rd and Friday the 24th for the Thanksgiving Holiday. We will reopen on the 27th for normal business hours.

**On Thursday November 9th the Noon-Networking will feature the Clinical Manager from Preferred Family Health Care Jeanna Parkill.**

**Many of our CASA family members receive services from Preferred Family so this will be a great opportunity to learn more.**

**We look forward to seeing you here!**



### Happy November Birthdays!

Sherry Centanni - 2nd

John Jones - 14th

Linda Kestner - 12th

Bob Bergman - 17th

Susie Lee - 20th

Vicki Blackwell - 27th



**Enjoy Your Special Day!**

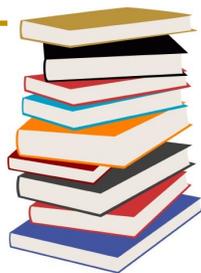
*“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen nor touched....but felt in the heart.” ~Hellen Keller*

Just a couple of things.....

- ♦ If you know you will be unable to attend court please call the CASA office to let the staff know.
  - ♦ Please go above and beyond to ensure you are meeting the minimum requirement of seeing your CASA child(ren) once a month. If this is proving to be difficult please alert the CASA staff immediately.
- Many thanks to each of you for all the work do!!***

*Below you will find a brief overview of a new book that has been recently added to our CASA Library and is now available for checkout! Winter is a great time to cozy up with a book or a movie from our Library while collecting those continuing education credits at the same time!*

***From Dope To Hope:  
A Man In Recovery***



**“This is the addict’s journey: how it happens, how it progresses, and how it ends. Fortunately, this is also the journey of recovery: how it happens, and how it blossoms. There is always hope.” —Dr. Drew Pinsky, M.D.**

Heroin didn’t make Tim a better person. It stole more than half of his life. But he’s dedicated every waking minute since walking out of prison to dealing hope to addicts and their families. By his own account, Tim Ryan shouldn’t be here. But as he states, “Where there is life, there is hope.” Known as The Hope Dealer, Tim was a successful entrepreneur, and today is a grateful recovering heroin addict and alcoholic, nationally ranked barefoot water skier—and truth-talking, convicted felon.

- As a business leader in a high-tech industry, Tim made and lost millions.
- As a father and husband, Tim introduced his own son to deadly drugs.
- As a heroin addict, Tim is a walking miracle. He’s overdosed eight times, was pronounced clinically dead three, and suffered two minor heart attacks. He’s been arrested more than ten times and served prison time alongside known gang leaders—many of whom became his closest confidants in recovery.

As the founder of A Man in Recovery Foundation and motivational speaker, Tim’s mission is to help ***one addict at a time*** transform their lives ***from dope to hope***.

Tim has been a featured thought leader in numerous national media, including *USA Today*, *Newsweek*, “The Steve Harvey Show” with Dr. Drew, and dozens of nationally syndicated radio shows. He was an invited guest by the U.S. President to the 2016 State of the Union Address.

This story chronicles Tim’s grueling journey into addiction, loss, and recovery. Sit with Tim in his prison cell. Walk with him as loved ones are torn from his reach. Rejoice with him as lives are miraculously recovered.