

Survivors-In-Action

## DALE AND DAR EMME

- Co-Founders -Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program<sup>®</sup>, Light For Life Fnd. Int'l & serve as Executive and Deputy Director.
- Survivors, lost son, Michael Emme 1994
- Consultants: developing state plans/state coalitions and community
- Trainers: community development and suicide prevention training
- Commissioner(s):
  CO Suicide Prevention Advisory Commission 1998 (Dale & Dar)
  CO Suicide Prevention Commission 2015- (Dale)
- Advocates: 2001 Helped develop the Colorado State Plan for Suicide Prevention 2001 Assisted in creating the CO Office of Suicide Prevention and served on the Advisory Board 2001-2005
- Suicide Prevention Coalition of CO (SPCC),
  - -- Founding Members. 1999-current
  - -- Board Member (Dale) 2001- Current, Vice-Chair (Dale) 2001-04 & 2017-2019
- National Council for Suicide Prevention, 1999-2015 Founding Members,
- National judges Alliance of the American Psychiatric Association's When Not to Keep A Secret national essay contest
- Obtained national endorsement from the American Osteopathic Association
- Authors: 'I'll Always Be With You' (Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul) and 'Legacy of the Yellow Mustang'®
- Created an international Yellow Ribbon Suicide Awareness and Prevention Week in September 1995.
  - U.S. House Resolution 286 recognizing the Week (9.9.1999)
  - U.S. Senate Concurrent Resolution 119, recognizing the Week (9.14.2004)
- Governors throughout give proclamations declaring the Prevention Week.
- Created a comprehensive program which is offered worldwide through seminars, workshops, in-services and presentations. They have addressed and worked with over 550,000 youth.

## Appeared in:

- <u>Chicken Soup For The Soul #3 Serving</u>
- WOMAN'S WORLD
- <u>Chicken Soup For The Teenage Soul</u>
- ♦ FAMILY CIRCLE MAGAZINE
- ♦ GOOD MORNING AMERICA
- The OPRAH Show

- PEOPLE MAGAZINE
- Television: Channels 7, 9 & 12 Denver, CO
- Denver Post Denver, Colorado
- Rocky Mountain News Denver, Colorado
- Newspapers throughout the U.S. (Partial list)

## Awards and Recognition's: (Partial List)

- Westminster Man and Woman of the Year' Chamber of Commerce, Westminster., CO, 2000
- 7 Everyday Hero's by KMGH Channel 7-ABC, Denver CO, 1999
- Persons of the Week', WJRT- TV 12, Flint, MI, 1998
- Dar: Power of One award from State Representative Scott McInnis R-CO 2003
- Dar: 9 Who Care Award, KUSA-NBC, Denver, CO 2002
- Dale: El Pomar Non Profit Executive Leadership Program, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 2002

## They are strong advocates, speaking out for survivors, and youth, raising awareness and empowering communities to help save lives.