DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS
AT THE CHARLOTTE KNIGHTS

On Friday, July 16th the Jamie Kimble Foundation was fortunate to be the recipient of proceeds from the Charlotte Knights’ Domestic Violence Awareness Night. Volunteer Rashida Gittens threw out the first pitch of the game. The Knights donated a portion of the evening’s proceeds, concessions asked customers to ‘round up’ their purchases, and commemorative autographed baseballs donated by the Joe Torre Foundation were raffled off.

The newly crowned Mrs. Cosmos USA, Katy Clatterbaugh of Monroe, was interviewed for the pre-game show (see photo page 2) and spoke eloquently on the subject of domestic violence.

We are so grateful for the support of these amazing ladies, as well as volunteers Elise George and Yari Karina Jones for their invaluable assistance!

VIEWPOINT

The Jamie Kimble Foundation for Courage

HISTORY OF THE JKFFFC

The Jamie Kimble Foundation for Courage was founded in 2013 by Jan and Ron Kimble, as their way of paying tribute to the memory of their late daughter, Jamie. At 31, Jamie had abundantly demonstrated love, compassion, strength, and courage to all who knew her. She was in a relationship with a boyfriend who had become increasingly controlling and abusive. It was the kind of abuse whose signs are so subtle that only a few would ever recognize them. But after seven years, Jamie realized that despite the periodic good times and all of the promises, he would never change. She courageously decided to start life anew and made the decision to leave the relationship, only to be shot and killed by her ex-boyfriend three months later.

The Kimbles devoted themselves to honoring their only child by founding an organization committed to a future without intimate partner violence. The Jamie Kimble Foundation for Courage is dedicated to funding initiatives with defined outcomes that prevent intimate partner violence, that provide educational curriculum for youth and young adults, that promote awareness, and that provide credible research for the exploration of innovative methods that stop intimate partner violence.
Volunteering - good for everyone!

UPCOMING EVENTS

On October 14th, the Jamie Kimble Foundation for Courage is hosting our annual Women for Courage event. The keynote speaker will be Ashley Bendiksen (www.ashleybendiksen.com), domestic violence survivor turned activist and nationally recognized expert on the subject of teen dating violence. #WomenforCourage

Also, in October we will be sponsoring the Employers Workshop for the 3rd time. This event is focused on helping employers recognize how they can support their employees who may be impacted by Domestic Violence.

Stay tuned for additional events in 2022!

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

by Rashida Gittens

I am a VICTOR over Intimate Partner Violence. I am an advocate and avidly speak out against domestic violence and other forms of personalized abuse people have suffered from. I work in cybersecurity, am a college professor, a certified firearms instructor, minority business owner and founder, I serve on two non-profit boards, founding a non-profit dedicated to teaching survivors of violent relationships about personal safety, mother of two, a member of the illustrious Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc., a bit of an action junky, an athlete – well former – love to travel, jump off cliffs in waterfalls, ride jet skis, snorkel, and dance. I serve in the community as much as I can, it feeds my soul. And I have a really big mouth; I speak out against wrong when I see it – and advocate for what’s right no matter what.

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Interested in learning more about upcoming volunteer opportunities with the Jamie Kimble Foundation for Courage? Contact Lynn Langlais, Program Manager, at lynn@jkffc.org.

Jan and Ron Kimble receiving a check for the event proceeds from the Knights. Katy Clatterbaugh being interviewed for the pre-game show.